

A stab in the back

By Sarah Lake
Editor in Chief

SAFERIDE transports about 600 SU students each weekend. They are an RSO committed to the prevention of alcohol-related vehicular crashes through providing safe, "no questions asked" rides to students who are either too intoxicated to drive or just in need of a reliable means of transportation.

Around 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 30 (Mischief Night), an unknown person(s) vandalized the SAFERIDE vans, an act that SAFERIDE president Samantha Rohlander referred to as "a stab in the back."

"This organization is not run by University Police or SU administration," Rohlander said. "It's run by kids who want to get out there and help. We work hard to be a good asset to the students."

According to Rohlander, the vans were spray painted and covered with food and footprints. Additionally, the SAFERIDE phone number on one of the vans was partially scraped off.

"We spent a better part of the afternoon cleaning this stuff up," said SAFERIDE vice president of public relations Andrew Ferro. "The spray paint has to be scraped off and re-painted."

In response to the vandalism, SAFERIDE cancelled their services on Thursday, Nov. 1. They resumed services the following day.

"There are only a handful of schools that have a program like ours," Rohlander said.

"We just want to make it clear that SAFERIDE is a privilege and it can be taken away," Ferro said.

According to Ferro, this incident is the "pinnacle" of a string of events that have been building up for a long time. While working, drivers are routinely victimized by students who both throw things and scream obscenities at the vans. Intoxicated riders address drivers in a disrespectful manner and occasionally engage in fist fights. "They're just incredibly rude and we don't understand it," Ferro said. "We give up our weekends and we give up our nights. The disrespect is unnecessary."

SAFERIDE employs eight team leaders and about 50 employees. "The eight team leaders put countless hours into this program," Ferro said. "People don't realize how much goes on behind the scenes. It takes a lot to run this program."

"And it's hard to put our employees in that situation," Rohlander said. "It's hard to keep up morale when stuff like that happens."

Amongst the team leaders' responsibilities are making sure SAFERIDE is fully-staffed every weekend and making sure the vans are clean and "gassed-up."

"Show respect for SAFERIDE. When you're getting on SAFERIDE, be respectful to the drivers and the riders," Rohlander said. "If you don't like the program, don't use it. Don't ruin it for everyone else."

Master plan renovations in the works for Salisbury University

By Jonathan Moynihan
Staff Writer

Exponential growth on the campus of Salisbury University is nothing new to its students and staff. The campus has had an ever-changing face as it grows and continues to develop as one of Maryland's top universities.

This growth will continue with a \$35 million plan to renovate and improve the campus community and its residence halls over the next five years.

The plan calls for a \$35 million renovation of the SU campus including on-campus living facilities, Guerrieri University Center and Red Square.

"We are talking a large scale event," said Dane Foust, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs.

This plan is much like the one that began several years ago that sparked the construction of the new TETC building. However, this time the renovations are not focused on academic components, but on benefiting the campus community.

Foust said possible renovations include adding to the Guerrieri Center, adding more satellite dining centers and improving the overall living experience for those residing on campus.

"We want Guerrieri to be a living room away from home for our commuting students," Foust said. "We need to ask ourselves if we are offering enough for students off-campus,



Sarah Wright photo

Choptank Hall is just one of the residence buildings that will undergo serious renovations under SU's new master plan.

and if student life is what we want it to be. I feel that we have a strong campus community. New upgrades will make that community even stronger."

A big piece of this increase begins

with updating on-campus living, said Dave Gutosky, Director of Housing and Residence Life. "The state has 'okayed' us to update our residence halls and build better housing."

"We want to find out what's neces-

sary to keep students on campus," Gutosky said. "We would rather have students on-campus. Off-campus students are less likely to attend night events and to be active members of the campus community."

"These new ideas and renovations have a major positive impact on SU's campus, and naturally we want every student to enjoy them," Gutosky said. "If these upgrades around SU increase on-campus living, it will help underclassmen academically as well."

"I'm a big believer that freshmen can learn from upperclassmen in all aspects of academics and the progression of maturing as a college student," Gutosky said.

The process of conducting this master plan is a long and difficult one, but the University has already begun the initial steps. SU has partnered with the architecture firm CSD and have begun sketching possible outlines for the future changes. CSD was chosen as the top firm out of several other groups that applied for the opportunity to work with SU on the master plan.

CSD has been to Salisbury on two different occasions and will come for a third visit at the end of November, Foust said. However, the largest step that can be taken to help this process is something that only the students can do.

Next week, a survey will be released by SU to give students the opportunity to share their input on

how and where they want to see these changes occur.

"We want to get as much student feedback as we can," Foust said. "We're really trying to get a sense of just what the students want."

The survey will include questions about basic demographics, questions about living preferences, individual reasons as to why students choose to live where they live and how the university can make it better. As a bonus, SU is offering several monetary prizes for those who fill out the survey, including a grand prize of a \$500 gift certificate for the Salisbury book store.

"All of this is part of determining what exactly we will do with the money as a university," Foust said. "We really want the students to take ownership of this survey and realize that this is their best chance to give their feedback."

"The Student Affairs staff works hard to make sure the desires of the student body are met," Gutosky said. "This survey is student-driven, and that's why the survey is so important to what's going to happen on this campus."

SU hopes to improve all aspects of the campus community with this \$35 million renovation plan. But the feedback of the students is necessary for its advancement.

"Our passion is really, truly to provide a great atmosphere where students will grow as people," Gutosky said. "Their voice is critical."

SU escorted out of Punkin Chunkin

By Chase Pettebone
Staff Writer

Had Linus and Charlie Brown been in Bridgeville, DE this past Saturday, they may have finally seen their great pumpkin rise from the cornfields. Rise may be a slight understatement, though. Launched half a mile into the stratosphere by high-powered cannons would be more fitting.

Despite the constant winds and rainy weather of the early morning, hundreds of Salisbury students converged on a remote field in southern Delaware this past weekend for this year's World Championship of Punkin Chunkin.



Chase Pettebone photo

The Great Emancipator, an adult air cannon pumpkin launcher, rests in the field in between competitions.

Even the Discovery Channel was on site documenting the event. What the World Cup is to soccer, Punkin Chunkin is to "chunkers," those who create massive cannons for shooting pumpkins.

Punkin Chunkin originally took form after one of the founders, John Ellsworth, observed a news story about students throwing pumpkins at a physics class at, then, Salisbury State University in 1986.

Over 70 teams from across the country were at this year's event as they attempted to strike their place in chunkin glory.

As in years past, the pumpkin-launching devices are separated in

divisions based on the means used to launch the pumpkins. These categories include catapults, medieval trebuchets and pneumatic air cannons.

The crowd favorite seemed to be the medieval trebuchet named Yankee Siege because of the long dramatic windup involved with each one of its spectacular launches that led to its first place finish in last year's competition.

"It's definitely cool to see a pumpkin go into the clouds and then see it reappear half a mile away from out of the clouds," said senior Dan Ferraro. "It's a great experience for everyone to get together in an environment where you don't have to worry about being hassled as much. Coming from New Jersey, I had never been able to see such a unique event such as Punkin Chunkin."

The event has become a favorite outing among Salisbury students, mainly because of the tailgate field parties found at the event.

Unfortunately, Salisbury students' attendance at the yearly event may be a thing of the past. As reported earlier, organizers of the event had speculated about possibly banning SU students from the festivities in response to their drunken antics while at the event.

This year's event has been called a "last chance" opportunity to prove that they can attend the event in a respectable manner without causing complaints from other chunkin-goers.

The scrutiny over SU student

Nabb Center celebrates 25th Anniversary

By Sara Sutton
Staff Writer

On Saturday, Nov. 3, the Edward H. Nabb Center celebrated its 25th anniversary with a gala held in the Talbot Room of the Salisbury Commons.

The event featured a gourmet dinner and silent auction and was highlighted by a keynote speech from Jim Perdue.

The Nabb Research Center, located on East Campus, is one of the little-known jewels of Salisbury University. The Center houses some of the most extensive primary source records available within the region with a focus on the Delmarva Peninsula. These resources are available for both students and the general public.

Dr. G. Ray Thompson, interim director and history professor, and Mrs. Silvia Bradley, Salisbury University Professor Emeritus, founded the Nabb Center in the early 80s. The collection that would grow to become the Nabb Center actually started as a few source materials housed in a filing cabinet within their office.

Over the last 25 years, the Center has expanded into its current location

in the Power Professional Building.

Thompson and Bradley started the Nabb Center to enrich the history curriculum at Salisbury University. The Center acts as a laboratory for history students to help prepare them for jobs in the archivist, museum and other professional history careers. It also was designed to strengthen the history master's program at Salisbury University, a role which Bradley feels could take on even more importance in the future.

The Nabb Center's collection includes many valuable and interesting resources. They house "the longest continuous collection of English court records in the United States," Dr. Thompson said.

Some other primary source materials available for study at the Nabb Center includes letters from soldiers serving from the Civil War through the Modern Era, land records from the 17th century to the 20th and material culture items from Delmarva residents.

According to Dr. Thompson, "It took a lot of elbow grease and hard work," along with the support of the local community, for the Nabb Center to reach the level of success celebrated Saturday night.



Sara Sutton photo

Left to right: Pat Taylor, Dr. G. Ray Thompson, Silvia Bradley and Jim Perdue

TUESDAY 11/6/07	WEDNESDAY 11/7/07	THURSDAY 11/8/07	FRIDAY 11/9/07	SATURDAY 11/10/07	SUNDAY 11/11/07	MONDAY 11/12/07
HIGH 56	HIGH 55	HIGH 50	HIGH 51	HIGH 57	HIGH 59	HIGH 66
AM SHOWERS	PARTLY CLOUDY	PARTLY CLOUDY	FEW SHOWERS	MOSTLY SUNNY	PARTLY CLOUDY	MOSTLY CLOUDY
LOW 39	LOW 36	LOW 37	LOW 39	LOW 41	LOW 49	LOW 49

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News Focus group strives to solve parking paradox

"Be the Difference"
On Friday, Nov. 9, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Link of Nations, volunteer groups will be recruiting students to help in non-profit work around Wisconsin County. The event, titled "Be the Difference," is meant to get students painted up with volunteer groups they might be interested in. Groups will include Maryland Lung Association, Wisconsin Mentoring Project, Delmarva Education Foundation and Big Brothers Big Sisters.

Toys for Tots
Salisbury will be helping local families to create a season to remember. This year, new and unwrapped toys will be collected between Nov. 12 and Dec. 14. Students, faculty and staff can drop off toys at three locations around campus: Fulton Hall, the OSAC, Center in the Guerrier Center or the Scarborough Student Leadership Center. For more information on the Toys for Tots program call Lindsey at 410-572-6729.

Thanksgiving Bingo Event
On Monday, Nov. 12, at 7:30 p.m. in the Wisconsin Room there will be a Bingo event to help get canned food for local soup kitchens and the Maryland Food Bank. In order to participate in the Bingo event and earn prizes, you must bring in canned food to be donated.

SU Dance Company
The Salisbury University Dance Company hosts its 18th annual Fall Showcase 8 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, Nov. 7-10 in Holloway Hall Auditorium. Admission for the one-hour performance is \$8, \$6 for seniors, teens and SU alumni. Children under 12 and SU ID holders are admitted free.



Sarah Wright photo

50 SU students formed a focus group and met with NSE director Lawanda Dockins-Gordy last Wednesday to discuss commuter parking problems.

By Jonathan Moynihan
Staff Writer

Chills crawl up and down his spine. Beads of sweat slowly trek across his brow as stress and anxiety overtake him. He grips the wheel of his car with his clammy hands and prays that maybe, just maybe, he can find "the one." He looks down at his dashboard, horrified as the clock hits 10:37, when he knows he is supposed to be in class by 10:30. But wait, a car pulling out! He patiently waits, and then slips into the spot as he proceeds to sprint to his class and begin his day.

Every commuter has experienced this problem. Even before work began on the new TETC building, parking had always been a concern among students living off-campus. On Wednesday, Oct. 24, students concerned with this very issue were given the opportunity to meet with other students and Lawanda Dockins-Gordy, Director of New Student Experience, to focus on the problem. "I think [the students] are only at the stage of collecting information and gathering data at this point. I hope this helps,"

Dockins-Gordy said. Dockins-Gordy said she was asked to gather a group of commuter students for the purpose of them serving as a "focus group." In a survey, roughly 41 out of 50 students had difficulty finding a parking space, or simply getting to class on time. When asked about what caused the trouble, the majority of the answers were about spot availability. In addition, few students said they would attend an interest meeting much like the one held this past Wednesday, possibly showing a piece of the problem. Only 11 out of the 50 students surveyed

said that a focus group such as this was something they would take advantage of. "Maybe the solution lies equally between the University and the student body. Focus meetings aren't exciting, but if students want to see results, then maybe they are necessary," said sophomore Brian Lomas. Regardless of how action is taken, the University has shown, through meetings like this, that it's trying its best to meet the needs of the student body and show effort towards making the parking lots a more effective and less stressful aspect of the school.

Crime beat

**10/30/07
2:30 a.m.
Robbery - Assist Salisbury Police (Off-Campus)**
A University student was approached by three subjects in the rear parking lot at 1401 University Terrace. One subject displayed a gun and ordered the student to drop everything. The subject took the student's handbag. The subjects fled on foot towards Milford St.

**10/30/07- 10/31/07
11:00 p.m.- 8:00 a.m.
Act of Intolerance**
An employee reported that a derogatory comment had been spray painted on the front door of Manokin Hall.

**10/31/07
12:40 p.m.- 1:00 p.m.
Assist Other Agency**
University Police located a student near Devilbiss Hall regarding a bench warrant for the Salisbury Police Dept.

**10/31/07
9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.
Act of Intolerance**
An employee reported that a derogatory comment had been written on a wall in Holloway Hall.

**10/27/07- 10/31/07
9:00 p.m.- 2:38 p.m.
Theft**
An employee reported the movie *Transformers* was stolen from the SOAP office in the University Center.

National Folkloric Troupe of Egypt performs at Salisbury



Adrienne Price photo

The troupe performs the "Elshamadan," an Egyptian wedding dance.

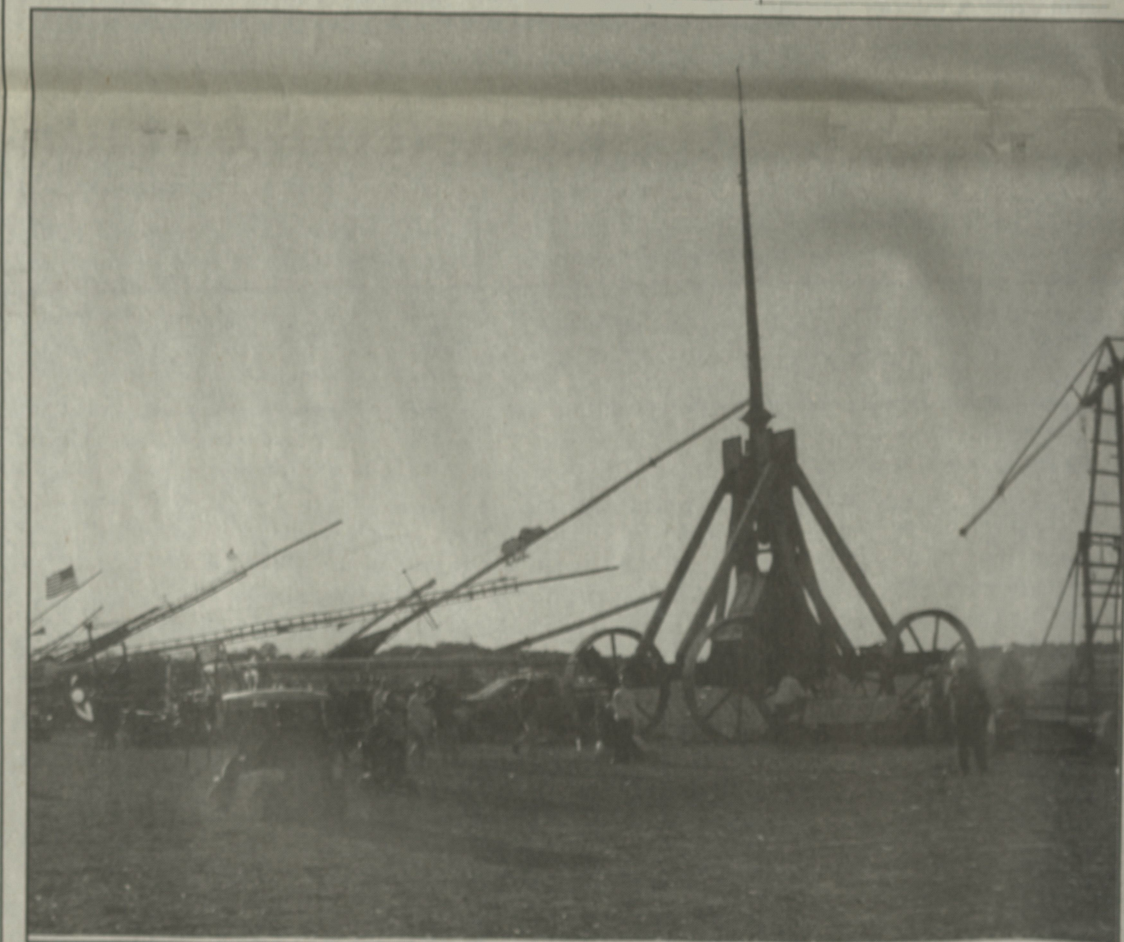
By Sean Gossard
News Editor

The National Folkloric Troupe of Egypt performed at Salisbury University on Oct. 30 to a nearly full audience in Holloway Hall. The group was brought to SU by the World Artists Experience Inc., SU Ambassador Series, SU Office of Cultural Affairs and the Office of the President. This marked the first time since 1981 that the troupe has toured in America. For nearly 50 years the National Folklore Troupe of Egypt has

been reinterpreting traditional Egyptian music and dance, and when they performed at Salisbury it was no different. The night began with several announcements from members of Salisbury, leading into an introduction by Mohamed Sameh M.M. Elserity, the director of the show. Elserity pardoned his broken English and then went on to explain how the night was about the language of dance, one that everyone understands. The first dance featured was a traditional wedding dance made as

an entrance for the bride and groom, titled "Elshamadan." This performance featured women dancing around the stage with several candles on their heads. Following that was the Dabka Elmagwaz, a popular dance in Syria, Lebanon and the North Sinai region of Egypt. This dance was extremely fast-paced and kept the audience clapping. One of the highlight dances of the evening was the Faiwatt ghile, a comedic dance telling the story of two leaders fighting for respect. This piece featured one dancer in a costume made to look like two men fighting. The dancer used his arms and legs as the feet of each man. The dance took him all around the auditorium, including one point in which he fell off the stage and continued fighting in the aisles.

The troupe performed many other traditional dances of Egypt and has shows in local schools and at the University of Maryland. In order to fully understand and appreciate the Egyptian dances, the troupe sent out researchers to study every dance that Egypt had to offer. Over the years they were able to create a unique form of dance which still preserves the traditional dances of the country. If anyone is interested in joining the Ambassador Team, call the office of Cultural Affairs at 410-219-2872.



Chase Pettebone photo

PUNKIN CHUNKIN

behavior has elevated increasingly over the past couple years as Punkin Chunkin has become more geared towards families than in years past. Mid-Saturday afternoon, police and event staff called for the immediate departure of all SU students that were in and around the bus stop stating, "You can thank your fellow SU students

for never being allowed back," in light of a speculated SU student streaking incident among other alcohol-influenced occurrences. "I thought students were acting respectful enough. Once students were inside the event I didn't see anything out of the ordinary that would cause alarm. Most of the SU students kept to the bus area, which was away from any families and most of the other event goers, because it

was sectioned off. I even saw several students picking up trash, since there were no trash receptacles available to the students. If students are being banned from the event it would be a shame since it's something many students look forward to year in and year out," said three-year Punkin Chunkin veteran Charlene Kivlon.

SU student joins Americorps in its relief efforts throughout Gulf states



By Shari M. Carew
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For Salisbury University sophomore Maria Jensen, what started as a

way for her to keep in touch with other members of the Americorps organization became a life-altering journey to help change lives. Jensen began exploring the idea of a trip to New Orleans to help with the much-needed relief efforts. Research to find an organization to accommodate students led her to Operation Helping Hands. "It's an organization which was created after Hurricane Katrina, and is run by Catholic Charities, who take in volunteers and help those in need," Jensen said. Before contacting potentially will-

ing members, Jensen got in touch with Shorecoops PALS (Partnership for Adolescents on the Lower Shore), a program administered by Catholic Charities, which deals with the elderly population and their residential facilities. At first their tasks were expected to be moving furniture, painting, cleaning mold-infested buildings and clearing spaces for renovations. "Emotionally and physically the trip was just draining. The manual labor was intense but I was affected the most by the resident apartments," Jensen said.

and headed down to New Orleans. Once down there, the group worked with Christopher Homes, a partner program to Catholic Charities, which deals with the elderly population and their residential facilities. At first their tasks were expected to be moving furniture, painting, cleaning mold-infested buildings and clearing spaces for renovations. "Emotionally and physically the trip was just draining. The manual labor was intense but I was affected the most by the resident apartments," Jensen said.

The last three days of their visit, the group was given permission by the city to go into the apartments of the dead or missing. "One of the eeriest images I have is of the half-packed bags. It looked as if someone had gone in and dragged them out," Jensen recalled, referring to the elderly people who stayed in their homes until the very last minute before being forced to leave. "We were told to throw all the stuff out so the building could be renovated for new families. Photo albums, war mementums, dolls,

imagine rummaging through these personal items." Jensen took a part of herself back to Maryland that could have only been found in the heart of the devastating disaster of Hurricane Katrina. Jensen plans to get another group together with even greater results. "I am thankful that we were given the opportunity to help, for a short time, with the rebuilding of this city. This trip was unforgettable from beginning to end," Jensen said.

GLOBAL

Red Sox win World Series: Kiss Curse of the Bambino goodbye

By Michael Vince
Staff Writer

The Curse of the Bambino was once a reason or excuse as to why the Red Sox could not win a World Series. However, the curse has become a myth as the Red Sox have won two World Series in the past four years. There seems no stopping the young Red Sox team.

For all of those who do not know the true story of the Curse of the Bambino, here is the breakdown: Between the years of 1914 and 1917, George Herman Ruth was a pitcher for the Boston Red Sox. He had a 67-34 with 413 strikeouts and a 2.07 ERA (Earned Runs Average). Up until 1919, Ruth was a decent ball player. He was able to make a few plate appearances and was able to improve upon his batting average each year. But the improvements were not enough for the Red Sox.

On January 3, 1920, the Boston Red Sox sold George Herman Ruth to the New York Yankees for his contract of \$125,000 and \$350,000 to be used on the mortgage of Fenway Park (Boston Red Sox Stadium). George Herman Ruth went on to fame and fortune. Known as the Great Bambino, the Sultan of Swat and Babe Ruth, he became an iconic figure not only in baseball, but in everyday life.

The Red Sox won the World Series in 1918 and did not win it again until 2004. The World Series drought was blamed on the curse. It was as if the ghost of the Babe was preventing the Red Sox from winning further titles. There have been several moments where the Red Sox had the title within their grasp and had it snatched away in game seven.

But not anymore. The Red Sox have become a powerhouse of young superstars. After breaking the curse in 2004, the Red Sox swept the Colorado Rockies this year. "I knew the series (the past World Series) was won after Josh Beckett retired the side and then when Pedroia hit the walk off home-run all in the first inning," said Ray Perdue, an avid Red Sox fan and senior at Salisbury University. It's a hard thing for most Rockies fans to believe, since their team swept all opposi-

tion going in to the World Series with a 21 game winning streak. "This victory was more fun than the 2004 World Series win. During 2004 I was just waiting for something to go wrong instead of just enjoying the game. But after the curse was broken, I was able to fully enjoy the Red Sox winning the World Series," said Perdue. With the curse lifted, a seemingly unstoppable pitching staff and the booming bats of David Ortiz and Manny Ramirez, will the Sox be able to repeat these victories?



Internet photo

The Sox celebrate their victory over the Rockies in this year's World Series

Wildfires rip through Southern California

Worst natural disaster since Katrina

By Derek Pettinelli
Staff Writer

It's the culmination of a series of unfortunate events that have transpired into one of the most destructive and damaging catastrophes since Hurricane Katrina. California has been consistently burning since October 20. Over 2,000 homes have already been destroyed with over 500,000 acres of land burned in the process. Governor Schwarzenegger declared a state of emergency in seven counties engulfed in flames, and President Bush declared an emergency for the entire state of California.

The main contributing factor to the South California wildfires included unusually hot weather, drought and strong Santa Ana winds blowing at up to 85 mph. In addition to natural conditions, fallen power lines, arson, an overturned big rig and a young child playing with matches have all added to this overwhelming disaster. So far, seven people have died, with 85 injuries reported, 61 of them being firefighters. The large scale of this raging inferno has brought together 6,000 firefighters, the U.S. Armed Forces, the National Guard, sixty Mexican firefighters and even 3,000 prisoners convicted of non-violent crimes.

Just two days into the fire, over 500,000 people from over 346,000 homes were given mandatory orders to evacuate. Highways were closed and schools were used as evacuation sites; plus all hotels in the surrounding areas were filled to capacity and had to turn away



Internet photo

CA firefighters brace themselves for more fires

countless people looking for a place to stay. NBC News reported over 950,000 people have been evacuated so far, calling it the largest peacetime movement of Americans since the Civil War era, with similar numbers being cited for Hurricanes Rita and Katrina. As with any tragedy, there are bound to be bad apples trying to take advantage of it for their own selfish gain. The IRS has warned of e-mail scams asking for donations.

The air quality has yet to improve, with particles less than 10 micrometers thick being able to enter deep into the lungs and possibly the bloodstream. First-hand reports and pictures from the area show the blackened skies and tell of the "ashray smell" that fills the area. Unfortunately, the high winds and low humidity have yet to subside and residents are being warned to brace for more fires as conditions continue to deteriorate.

HISTORY CORNER

**NOVEMBER 6
1913.** Mohandas Gandhi is arrested while leading a march of Indian miners in South Africa.

**NOVEMBER 7
1991.** Magic Johnson makes announcement that he is infected with HIV, thus retiring from the NBA.

**NOVEMBER 8
1895.** While experimenting with electricity, Wilhelm Rontgen discovers x-rays.

**NOVEMBER 9
1888.** Jack the Ripper kills Mary Jane Kelly, his last known victim.

**NOVEMBER 10
1969.** *Sesame Street* debuts on PBS.

**NOVEMBER 11
1992.** The Church of England votes to allow women to become priests.

**NOVEMBER 12
1933.** Hugh Gray takes the first known photos of the Loch Ness Monster.

de Kirchner becomes first female elected president of Argentina



Internet photo

Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner is the first woman in history to be elected as a nation's president

By Leah Dyson
Staff Writer

Argentina's current First Lady, Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner, has secured the position as her nation's first elected female president. According to a BBC article on Oct. 30, Fernandez de Kirchner will succeed her husband, Nestor Kirchner, in the presidential role on Dec. 10, and has vowed to continue his "center-left" politics.

To be elected, Fernandez de Kirchner had to win 45 percent of the vote, or 40 percent with a 10 point lead over the next candidate. She achieved an "unassailable" 44.9 percent lead in the polls. Elisa Carnio, her closest competitor, had attained only 23 percent of the votes. "We've won by a wide margin," de Kirchner told her supporters, "but this, far from putting us in a position of privilege, puts us instead in a position of greater responsibilities and obligations." She acknowledged the

significant role her husband played in her campaign, and described her victory as recognition of his success as president. de Kirchner has discussed building on her husband's work, but also plans to place greater emphasis on international ties, specifically with Washington. Her priorities include dealing with Argentina's widespread poverty and unemployment, improving health care and education, and increasing Latin American integration. She is devoted to the causes of human rights and women's issues.

The president-elect has also stressed the importance of strengthening the regional trade bloc, Mercosur, which includes Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay. Oil-rich Venezuela has also recently been invited to join the trade group. de Kirchner was criticized for failing to offer specific policies and avoiding debates and interviews until the end of her campaign. However,

many Argentine citizens feel that the opposition offered no real alternative.

Kirchner planned to continue his presidency, and up until July, when his wife was announced to be taking his place, had a lead in the opinion polls. His administration did not explain the switch in candidates and Kirchner's role in his wife's presidency remains unclear. Many speculate that Fernandez de Kirchner's political involvement aided in her husband's rise to presidency. Her political career began in the 1980s when she held the positions of provincial and then national deputy. Her husband was elected governor of Santa Cruz in 1991, and she supported him again as a deputy.

In addition to her role as first lady, Fernandez de Kirchner currently holds a seat in the senate of the province of Buenos Aires. She has actively supported her husband's policies, and there have been very few decisions made by his administration that she was not consulted about.

"Her influence exceeded that of an ordinary lawmaker," said an Oct. 29 article from the BBC. Fernandez de Kirchner's critics have targeted her inexperience in office, said the BBC, but as a lawmaker, she is known for being a strong-willed intellectual. She will be taking on the presidency during a truly challenging time. Her husband oversaw a "return to stability and prosperity" since the collapse of Argentina's economy six years ago, yet many Argentines still live in poverty. Argentine citizens remain skeptical about the actual stability of the economy, worries caused by ris-

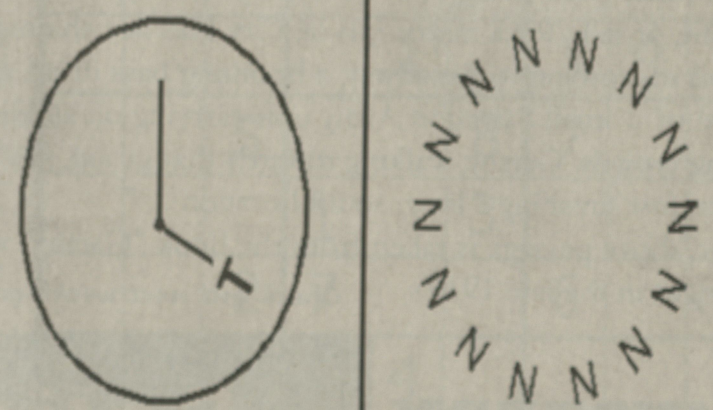
ing prices and frequent energy shortages.

Many Argentines have described Fernandez de Kirchner's political position as echoing the Peron legacy. She has been compared to both Eva and Isabel Peron, Juan Peron's second and third wives. Eva Peron was credited with a great deal of political influence within Argentina during the first half of the twentieth century, topped only by that of the president, her husband, Juan Peron. Several years after Eva Peron died of cancer, Juan Peron married Isabel Martinez. She also became greatly involved in Argentinean politics, eventually becoming Vice President to her husband. Juan Peron died while still in office, leaving Isabel Peron to succeed his presidency. She became the first non-royal female head of the state in the Western Hemisphere. However, neither Eva nor Isabel Peron were ever officially voted into office, and Isabel Peron was not supported widely by the Argentine public.

A more accurate and common comparison of Fernandez de Kirchner's presidency may be to the United States presidential candidate, Senator Hillary Clinton. Fernandez de Kirchner has been compared to the fellow senator and former First Lady numerous times, and has welcomed these comparisons, according to an Oct. 24 BBC article. Fernandez de Kirchner has described Senator Clinton as a "favorite of the Americans," and said that another woman in office "wouldn't be bad." One major variance between Argentina's president-elect and Senator Clinton is their campaigning styles. Fernandez de Kirchner was able to avoid the media's interviews and public debates, while Senator Clinton has had to publicly speak and defend her presidential plans.

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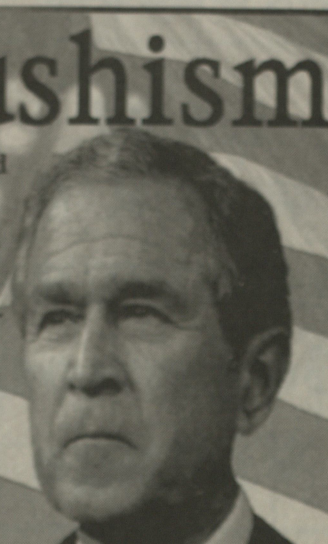
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weekly Bushism

"I got a lot of Ph.D.-types and smart people around me who come into the Oval Office and say, 'Mr. President, here's what's on my mind.' And I listen carefully to their advice. But having gathered the device, I decide, you know, I say, 'This is what we're going to do.'" -George W. Bush, Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 3, 2007



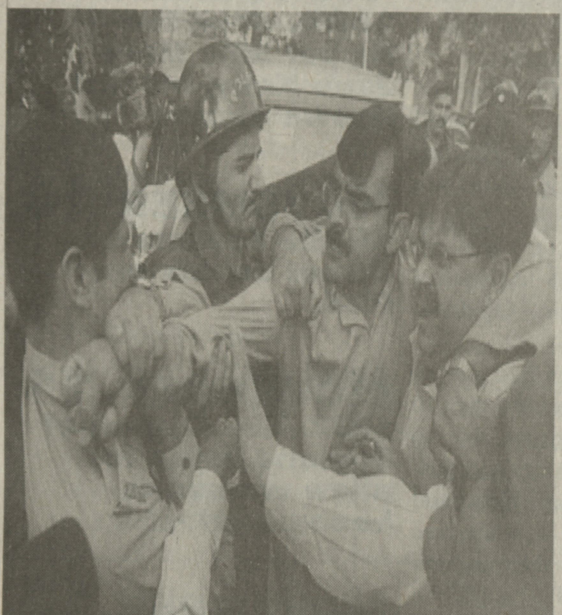
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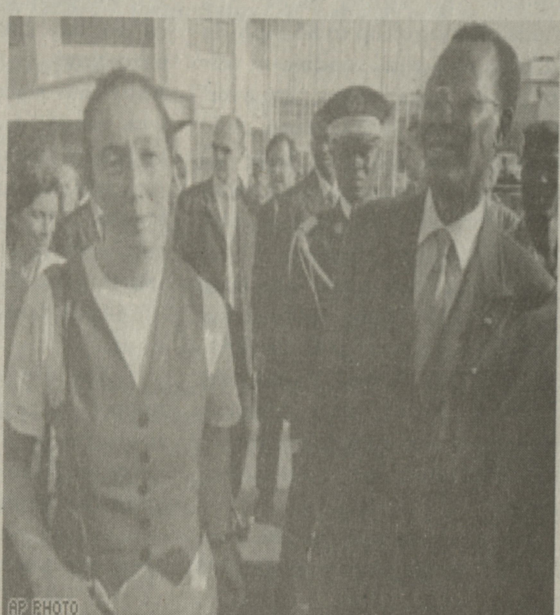
Anna Johnson/AP photo
Nov. 4 - Egypt's antiquities chief Dr. Zahi Hawass supervises the removal of King Tut's mummy from his sarcophagus.



ABC news photo
Nov. 2 - Firefighters battle this week's CA wildfires in an effort to save homes and lives.



Faisal Mahmood/Reuters photo
Pakistani protesters scuffled with police in Islamabad Sunday, the day after President Gen. Pervez Musharraf effectively declared martial law and launched a crackdown on opposition leaders.



Karel Prinsloo/AP photo
Nov. 4 - A Spanish air hostess goes free after being held captive in the Chad kidnap case.

Doctors Without Borders nourish under-fed children with Plumpynuts

By Stacie Manger
Staff Writer

Plumpynut. It sounds funny. Many have never heard of it. For some, the first word out of their mouth is, "What?"

Doctors Without Borders has brought Plumpynut to places in Africa where malnutrition levels are high. The formula is composed of vitamin and mineral enriched peanut butter, powdered sugar and dry milk. This combination packs about 500 calories per serving, according to an article from the Web site emax-health.com.

"The ones that we're used to seeing on TV, that's the worst of the worst of the worst. It's the tip of the iceberg. And then below that, there's the iceberg. So, there's a whole spectrum of malnutrition," Dr. Milton Tectonidis, chief nutritionist of Doctors Without Borders, said in an interview for 60 Minutes. "And when we go and check these kids, well, they're way off in height or in weight. They're way off."

An article for CBS News stated that Plumpynut is already having a dramatic effect. Children who were underweight have started to gain. Children who were once too fatigued, now run and play.

Rural Africans do not have the means for refrigeration systems. This product is a breakthrough because it does not have to be refrigerated and it is easily stored.

"This is an inexpensive option and it is easy to distribute," said Dr. Len Robinson, political science professor at Salisbury University. "There is no reason to believe it would not help."

One serving costs around one dollar. Plumpynut is made locally in Africa, in Niger and in three other countries.

Thousands of women flock to the area where Plumpynut is distributed. They walk through the night along dangerous paths that are infested with poisonous spiders and snakes. They carry many servings of Plumpynut back to their children, sometimes even stacking them on their heads, according to 60 Minutes.

One of the only problems foreseeable for the Plumpynut project is funding. Products that help with malnutrition have to be funded.

"The need for Plumpynut is so great that someone has to step forward to devote more funding to the program," Robinson said.

Viable groups are the United Nations, multinational corporations or even nongovernmental organizations.

Other nations in Africa now want factories, Tectonidis said. He said his group is not focused on feeding the whole world right now, but more focused on the "jugular" of the malnutrition problem.

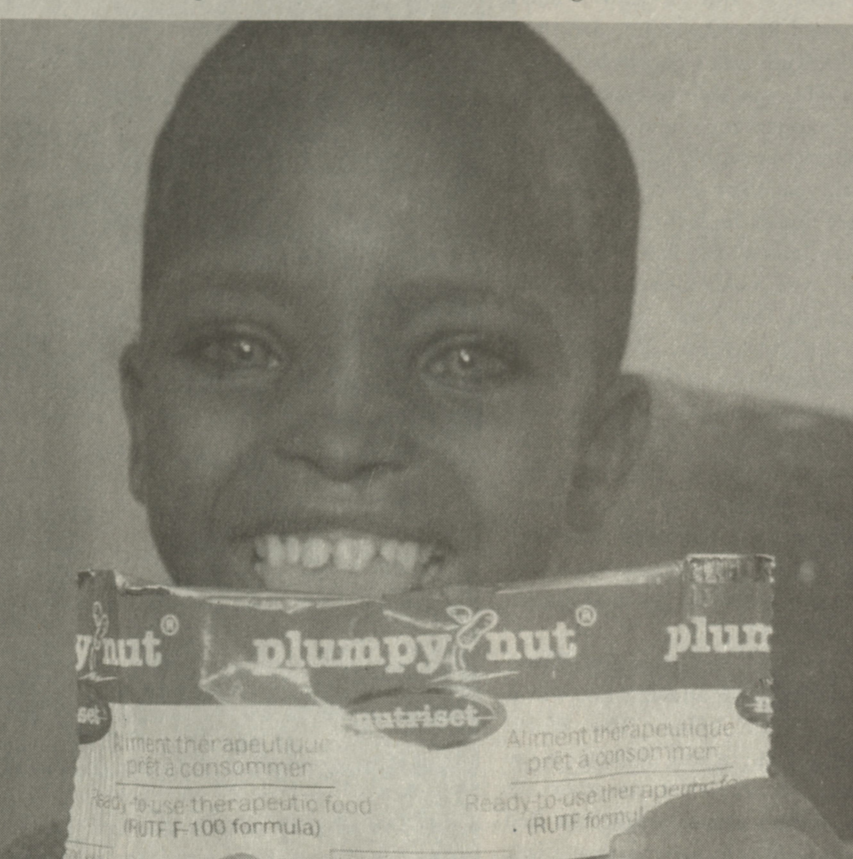
Some children, even with the help of Plumpynut, have still died because their malnutrition was so great, said some of the doctors working with the children.

During a clip from Anderson Cooper's segment in Niger, he asked Dr. Susan Shepherd if there are children who are brought back to life. "Oh, yeah, for sure. Again and again and again and again," Shepherd said.

The doctors said the key is getting to the children sooner. There is a certain age gap from infancy to around three-years-old where nutrition is needed for optimum growth and weight gain.

"This is a fantastic breakthrough," Robinson said. "Now the long term issue in regards to a larger community needs to be addressed. The states will need resources and jobs available for the larger population."

Doctors Without Borders takes donations. For more information visit: <http://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/donate>



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ANNOUNCEMENT To Editor and Campus Community:

The ShoreCAN Volunteer Center is sponsoring the "Everything but the Turkey Food Basket Drive," to provide a Thanksgiving meal to local families in need.

Come to the ShoreCAN Volunteer Center office, located in Career Services (GUC 133B), anytime M-F 8-5 p.m., and pick up a laundry basket to fill with non-perishable food items fit for a Thanksgiving dinner. Baskets are available now so do not hesitate to get a basket for yourself, your dorm floor, your roommates or office to fill.

Participating in this project is a great way for you, your friends and your office to get involved with and give back to the local community. Baskets must be returned to ShoreCAN no later than Friday, November 16th. All Food Baskets will be donated to the Seton Center in Princess Anne to be distributed to local families in need.

Thank you for your help and participation in this service project!

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RIDDLE OF THE WEEK

The paragraph below is most unusual. How quickly can you find out what is so unusual about it? It looks so ordinary you'd think nothing was wrong with it - and in fact, nothing is wrong with it. It is unusual though. Why?

"Gatsby was walking back from a visit down in Branton Hill's manufacturing district on a Saturday night. A busy day's traffic had had its noisy run; and with not many folks in sight, His Honor got along without having to stop to grasp a hand, or talk; for a mayor out of City Hall is a shining mark for any politician. And so, coming to Broadway, a booming bass drum and sounds of singing, told of a small Salvation Army unit carrying on amidst Broadway's night shopping crowds. Gatsby, walking towards that group, saw a young girl, back toward him, just finishing a long, soulful oration ..."

The above passage is taken from the book "Gatsby" written by Ernest Vincent Wright in the late 1930's

Check out next week's edition for the answer!

MYSTERY WORD OF THE WEEK SOUNDS LIKE: "Thirst Crossed" LAST WEEK'S ANSWER: Dogwood Village

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Overheard:

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What would you consider to be an inconvenient truth?



"Anything more expensive than a lie."

David Lapkoff - senior



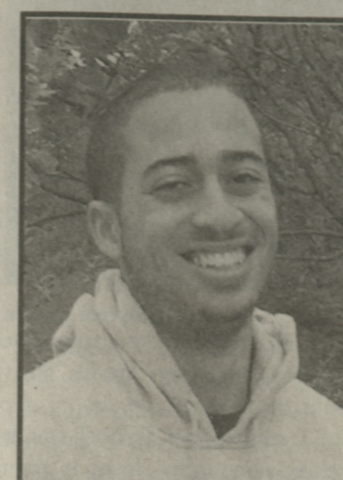
"That we spend so much time taking General Education courses for free in high school and have to come here and pay for them."

Jana Piotrowsky - senior



"Having to take a Chem 122 exam the day after Halloween."

Jennifer Thompson - sophomore



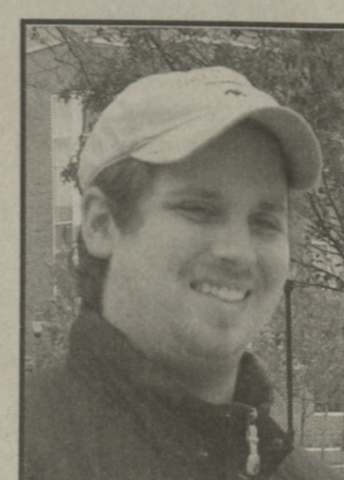
"The sun burning out."

Justin Walcott - sophomore



"The fact that SU has the highest STD rate on the Eastern Shore."

Kelsey Simms - junior



"The fact that sooner or later everyone is going to die."

Phillip Krocheski - sophomore

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A plea to the police SU students hurt by lack of justice

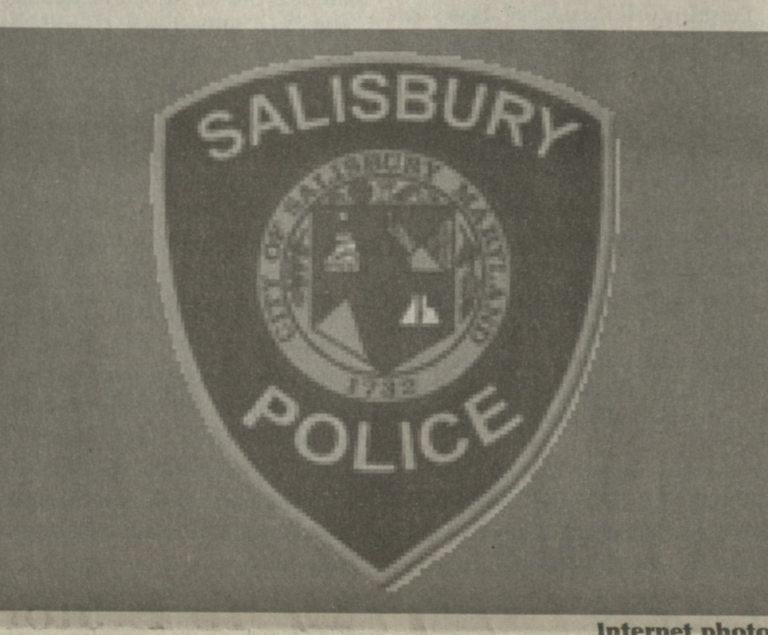
By Eric Bishop
Staff Writer

It's a Saturday night around 11:30 p.m. You're out with your friends at a party that you heard was going to have a keg. As you are about to fill up your cup, you hear sirens and realize that the cops have arrived. You're not surprised; it's the same situation you have faced the last three weekends.

Like clockwork, the Salisbury Police have broken up yet another drinking party. However, it is their job. Why not target college kids when they know that they are going to have parties in the New Zoo? It could be because they are scared of doing actual police work.

Time after time, I've heard of students getting mugged or held up and the Salisbury Police doing nothing about it. Three years ago, my house on Hazel Street got broken into twice and hundreds of dollars worth of DVDs and video games were stolen. Despite filing police reports, nothing happened. That same year, a group of friends were over and the cops came because they said they could hear music from the street. I was 20 years old and I got a citation for underage drinking in my own house with seven friends.

I've heard numerous personal accounts of students getting robbed at gun or knife point and



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never getting justice, yet our police force continues to go after parties that are just a bit too loud rather than finding these criminals that have made a living off of stealing from college students.

According to the FBI's annual crimes report, Salisbury has in recent years ranked in the top 10 for crimes per capita in the United States, along with cities such as Baltimore and Compton. Whether you want to think about it or not, we live in a dangerous area. Even places that are supposedly guarded, such as University Village and the New Zoo, are not safe. Last year, many houses in the New Zoo got broken into. They had one security guard who patrolled the

area once every so often. I'm pretty sure he was 92 years old.

During my time at Salisbury, it seems as if the number of crimes against students and the amount of citations issued to students have increased yearly. This pattern will most likely continue because it is easier for cops to issue citations than it is for them to investigate crimes. So this weekend, instead of busting another harmless college party, maybe the cops could go down to Church Street and prevent some actual crimes. Until the police realize where the real danger lies we will continue to live in a fearful college community unable to fully enjoy our college years.

"Whorish" costumes lack dignity



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By Rachel Lopez
Staff Writer

Remember the days when we used to want to dress up as a cat or a devil? Well, these days costumes are usually bits of fabric just slightly covering the wearer. It is funny that we, as adults, especially as females, have to have the word "sexy" in front of our costume names. We can no longer be a nurse, unless we are a "sexy" nurse. No longer can we be a firefighter, but hot pants and a red bra makes the costume into "sexy" firefighter.

I'm sure no guys are complaining up as a clown or an M&M, but there still can be a certain amount of class and dignity upheld while celebrating this fun holiday.

This issue goes beyond the homemade college student's costumes. Part of the blame can be placed upon Halloween costume companies. Those who make the costumes have a huge part in the risqué outfits that are being worn. Whether they are going along with popular trend or demand, or if they were simply original creations, a lot more people, including moms, are taking notice. A mother

about the outfits most females wear to parties, but why would they? What male would not want a girl walking around in a tight top and nothing more than their underwear? It is just funny to see that something that carries such a child-like connotation has been turned into something so tainted by college students. We, as adults, will not dress

on clubmom.com stated, "I took my 16-year-old shopping for a Halloween costume and she won't even wear them without shorts underneath, because she is worried about exposing herself. If I am spending \$60.00 on a Halloween costume there should be enough material there to cover everything up." The Washington Post has taken notice of the issue. In a recent article that ran on Oct. 30, Cheryl Girezza, a concerned mother that the writer interviewed, stated, "This is all so inappropriate. It's really disturbing."

Costumes that leave little to the imagination are inappropriate no matter what age you are, be it 21 or 13. You can wear what you like, but just because everyone has this and that hanging out, does it really mean you should too? Be yourself. If having everything on display is how you like to dress for the holidays, fine. But remember we are judged on how we look in this society, whether it is right or wrong. That is just the way it is. Now that Halloween has passed, maybe a different trend will come along next year. Perhaps the fun of Halloween will not be overshadowed by fishnets and sequined bras.

~SUDOKU~ The Rules of Sudoku

The classic Sudoku game involves a grid of 81 squares. The grid is divided into nine blocks, each containing nine squares.

The rules of the game are simple: each of the nine blocks has to contain all the numbers 1-9 within its squares. Each number can only appear once in a row, column or box.

The difficulty lies in that each vertical nine-square column, or horizontal nine-square line across, within the larger square, must also contain the numbers 1-9, without repetition or omission.

Every puzzle has just one correct solution. Good luck.

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Difficulty Rating: Medium

Solution to last week's puzzle:

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Another \$46 billion to go down Bush's proverbial toilet

By Lauren Zarin
Staff Writer

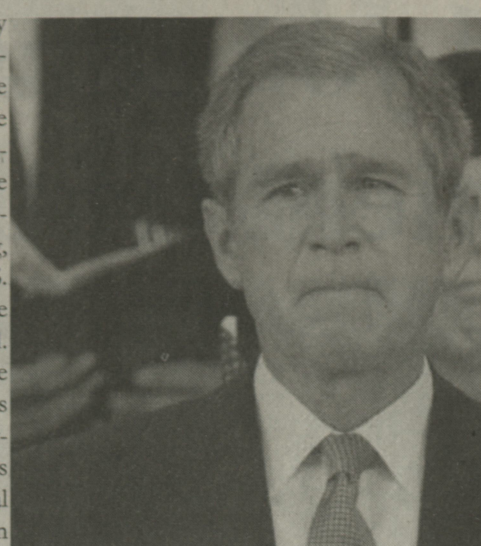
Thanks in part to President George W. Bush, the United States' national debt has climbed just over nine trillion dollars in recent months. One of the major proverbial toilets down which this money is being flushed is the ongoing war in Iraq. Since 2003, U.S. troops have been fighting a seemingly ambiguous battle. The initial justification for the war was the urgent need to confiscate weapons of mass destruction (WMDs) held by the enemies overseas. Four years later, no such WMDs have been found, but troops continue to lay their lives on the line for an ever-changing cause. In the absence of WMDs, the cause has ranged from establishing a Democratic government in Iraq, to settling their civil wars. The feat continues to be unsuccessful, and opposition from United States citizens is growing. Why then, on Oct. 22, did Bush demand \$46 billion more from lawmakers to pay for overseas military operations?

According to *The Washington Post*, with the inclusion of the \$46 billion request, Bush has requested a total of \$196.4 billion for Iraq, Afghanistan and counterterrorism operations during the current fiscal year alone. If approved in full, it would bring total appropriations since the attacks of 9/11 to 800 billion dollars. That number is higher than any amount spent on a U.S. conflict since World War II. Not only did Bush request this money, he insisted it be approved before the end of the year. According to the Democrats, who won control of Congress in 2006, specifically due to public opposition to the war, the military would not need the money until Feb. of 2008, if at all. Bush's urgency lies in the fact that presidential voting begins next Jan., and voters in approximately 22 states will have cast their ballots by Feb. 5.

Democrats say that they will disregard Bush's deadline for approving the money, but such a promise offers little comfort considering their failure to refuse the president's past monetary demands. In the spring, Congress attached a U.S. troop withdrawal timetable to the war funding bill. When Bush vetoed the timetable, Congress approved the money anyway. If spending continues at its current rate, the total cost of Iraq, Afghanistan and related operations is projected to reach \$1.45 trillion over the next 10 years.

Bush's priorities are adverse to the country's wellbeing and prosperity. He is gung-ho about funding operations that have caused thousands of young American troops to sacrifice their lives, but he recently vetoed the expansion of a children's health insurance program. According to *The Washington Post*, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi pointed out that "for the cost of less than 40 days in Iraq, [the government] could provide health-care coverage to ten million children for an entire year." Following that statement, Senate Majority Leader Harry M. Reid added, "[Bush] repeatedly says no to health care, no to law enforcement, no to homeland security, no to stronger infrastructure, but he says yes to this intractable civil war in Iraq, which is being paid for by borrowed money."

A recent *Washington Post*-ABC News poll proves that the majority of the country opposes Bush's war spending. Of those surveyed, seven in ten wanted the spending plan to be reduced, and approximately 46 percent wanted it drastically lowered, or done away with altogether. Democrats want to refuse the money, but haven't been able to, and



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a senior Democratic leadership aide predicted that even Bush's party would be reluctant to "go to the mat" for the money. If Bush stands virtually alone in his desire to pour America's money into the war, but continues to receive his demands, it's bordering on dictatorship?

Bush's attack on the opposition is both childish and nauseating. His repeated claim is that "critics do not support the troops." He has been quoted during debates as saying that if lawmakers support the troops, they should "show it" (!). To further enhance the impact of his attempted guilt trip, he surrounds himself with veterans and family members of fallen soldiers as he makes these accusations. It is sad when the President of the United States has to resort to such a below-the-belt attack to get his way. The fact is that war opponents support the troops' safe return home. They would rather see these young men and women returned to their country and families than continue to bankroll a futile cause that puts their lives on the line every day. Bush's reckless spending is putting the U.S. into an ever-deepening financial hole, and to no avail.

(1) Yahoo! News

Amnesty International calls for reparations to blood diamond conflict victims

By Kristen Manion
Amnesty International Intern

Almost everyone by now has heard of the conflict over what were called blood diamonds in the small West African country of Sierra Leone between 1991 and 2002. Most people in the college and high school age group have heard the Kanye West song "Diamonds (From Sierra Leone)" but not many people know of the true nature and senseless violence from the conflict.

For instance, it is estimated that a third of all girls and women were brutally raped and forced into sexual slavery and pregnancies against their wills to aid their attackers. Six years after the end of the conflict, many of these women are still seeking justice for the atrocious crimes committed against them.

One of the biggest problems with this issue is that in Sierra Leone, and in many developing countries, there is a great stigma associated with the act of rape itself, leading many women to forgo seeking much-needed medical attention for any injuries sustained in the assault. Many women also never talk about what happened to them, because they feel it would bring too much

shame upon their families. Worse still is that many women and girls were subjected to repeated sexual violence, which can lead to damage of the reproductive organs, miscarriages, unwanted pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases, most notoriously AIDS.

The fear of rejection from friends and family members has left many women dead and many more feeling that the assault was somehow their fault, which is never the case, as people know in our own country. The response, or lack thereof, of the government of Sierra Leone is doing nothing to quell these fears and lessen or eradicate the stigma against rape and rape victims. The goal of Amnesty International and other support groups for these girls and women is to have the government of Sierra Leone publicly acknowledge the violence against women and girls in their country, and also give reparations to those who suffered from sexual violence.

During the conflict, an entire generation of children between the ages of 7 and 15 were kidnapped from their families and forced to carry guns and murder whoever crossed their paths. Children were involuntarily recruited for military

service because, like in issues regarding child labor in other nations, children are seen as cheap labor and are expendable. Little regard was given to them or to the intense psychological ramifications of open warfare. The children were the first sent into the most dangerous situations and were usually the first to be forced to commit grave injustices and grievous abuses of human rights.

Many children were forced into killing a member of their own family to prove that they had what it took to be soldiers, and also to teach them how to carry out disturbing human rights abuses for many years. A former child soldier explains that "Government soldiers came and forced me and my father to join them. My father refused so they cut his throat. They beat me and tied me and forced me to join the fighters."

After the cessation of hostilities in Sierra Leone, many children are still facing difficulties in being rehabilitated. This is extremely difficult, considering their childhoods were viciously robbed from them. According to the Rome Statute for International War Crimes, and as was agreed upon by the government of Sierra Leone, there are now laws protecting children in the region, and it has become a state war crime that prohibits the forced conscriptions of children under the age of 15 years.

So far, activist organizations in the region and all across the continent have presented their cases to the government and are still awaiting action. Many of the adult soldiers who treated women and children in the ways previously mentioned have either gotten off scot-free or have been given lessened prison sentences. The best thing to be done is to flood the government of Sierra Leone with letters expressing concern and a call to action for giving reparations to those who were harmed in the conflict.



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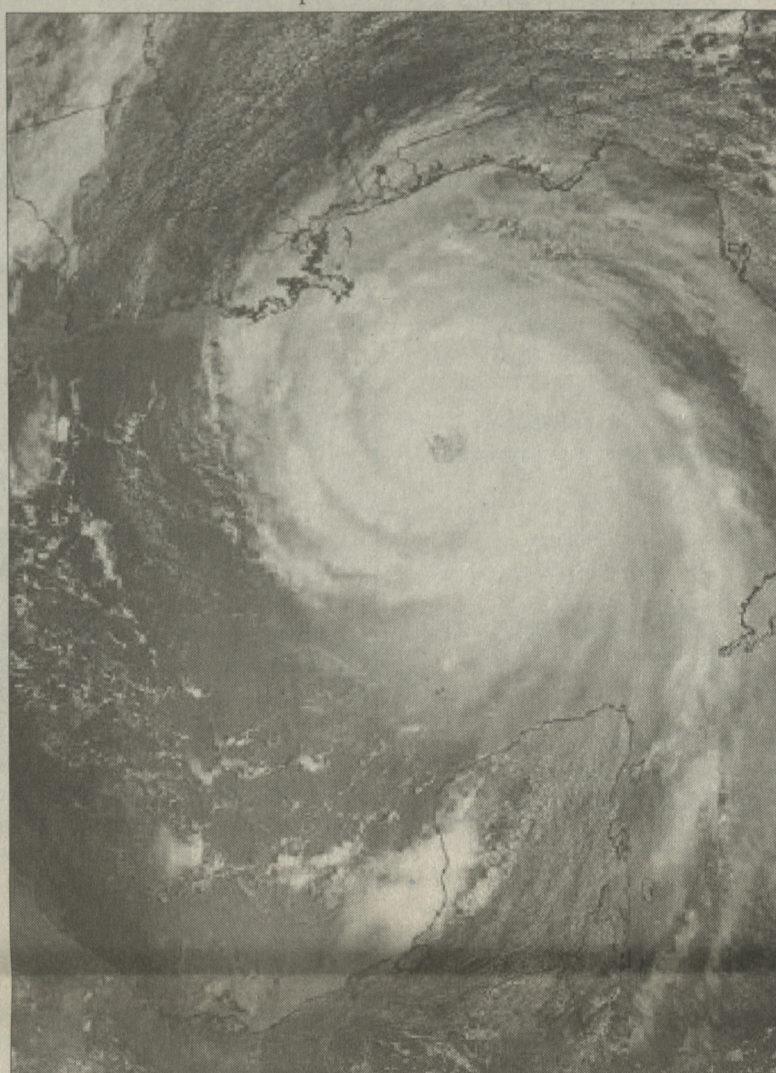
Who's to blame? Natural disaster response lacking

By Rachel Vontobel
Staff Writer

It's impossible to prepare for the worst. This is especially true when you're planning for a natural disaster. There's no way to know exactly how a storm travels or how fire spreads. The best we can do is hope that there is some system to rely upon. It's the job of the local and national governments and military to provide for the people and generally do a good job. So why was Hurricane Katrina more catastrophic than the recent fires in Southern California? These two natural disasters may be totally different, but the amount of damage done was quite similar. Everyone has their own opinion as to where the blame should be placed.

Both areas have had the opportunity to create crisis plans and take measures that would at least decrease the amount of damage done. Unfortunately for California, the fires happen almost every year around the end of summer to the beginning of fall due to the Santa Ana winds. The Santa Ana winds are caused by pressure systems that come over the Gabriel Mountains and get caught in the valleys in Southern California. Often Katrina is compared to the well-documented catastrophic Hurricane Camille in 1969. For Louisiana, the local government was well aware that the levee structure of New Orleans was not strong enough to support the city against a storm of that magnitude. Why was California more prepared than Louisiana?

Unfortunately, there are many factors to this problem. The most significant factor is a monetary issue. The demographics of these two areas are so far apart on the spectrum from each other it would be impossible to think that it's not a part of the problem. It's not as easy as saying, "They have more money so they get more resources;" it's the allocation of scarce monies that governments control. I've lived in Southern California, and I know for a fact that there are poor areas that are on the same levels as the less-for-



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Dunk Your Professor for charity benefits Salisbury Joseph House



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An SU student attempts to dunk her professor during Friday's events.

By Emily Doss
Staff Writer

On Friday, November 2, students participated in the "Dunk Your Professor" fundraiser, donating canned goods and money for the Joseph House of Salisbury. The event was originally scheduled for Oct. 26, but postponed due to inclement weather. Students in charge of creating and organizing this event included Nisa Cummings, Lauren Fenley, Ryan Finkbiener, Katie Harwig, Nichole Kohlhepp and Amber Nichols.

The event took place in Red

Holloway Hall and the library. There are also boxes located within most of the dorm buildings, and even at the Commons.

The whole fundraiser was organized to benefit the Joseph House. The Joseph House is a nonprofit charity-based organization located in Salisbury that helps the less fortunate through a variety of programs and services. Their mission is to promote social justice and stable family life through direct assistance to the poor, whatever their needs may be. This means that they'll help people find jobs, get food and even hand out clothing to families who can't afford it.

If you missed out on this opportunity to help with the Joseph House, don't be discouraged, there are plenty of other ways to help out. The center is run completely on volunteers. Some of the available options for volunteering include: financial assistance interviewer, food pantry worker, food line interviewer, front desk worker and hospital room assistants.

Another way to help out the Joseph House, for those living closer to Ocean City, would be The Joseph House by the Sea. The Joseph House by the Sea is a small store that sells religious items and decorations. All the money made from this story is given directly back to the main center in Salisbury. This location requires merely a store worker to be customer friendly and

assist in regular business affairs. During the months of Oct. through Mar. they are open Fridays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. So just going in for three or four hours on a Saturday morning once a month would be a great help.

A final option if your time is sparse and you still want to contribute a little something would be to make a donation. The Joseph House takes donations in all forms, canned and non-perishable canned goods, or fresh produce items when they are in season. These food items can be taken to the Joseph House Center on Boundary Street in Salisbury Tuesday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Another option, if you're a little short on extra cash, would be to go through your closet and find clothes that you no longer wear and are still in nice condition that you can donate. This is the perfect opportunity to clean out your closet or your dorm room, and to do something good for the homeless and needy people of Salisbury, as well. These donations can be made Tuesday-Thursday at the Carriage House on Riverside Drive in Salisbury.

The winter and holiday months are upon us. They can be harsh and depressing for those without a family or home. Take the time to reach out and help those in our community, and remind everyone what the students at SU are all about.

SU's Gull Net to undergo serious makeover



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By Karis King
Staff Writer

Salisbury University's GullNet is undergoing a few final modifications and will be making its updated debut late this December.

For the past five years, SU has relied on PeopleSoft to provide GullNet, a host of Web-based services tailored to the University. PeopleSoft, now Oracle, encompasses student administration, human resources, financial management and contributor relations, according to Jerry Waldron, SU's Chief Information Officer.

GullNet has always proven to be a vital tool in providing students with web access to their SU accounts. The present GullNet's

outdated layout forces the user to retrace their steps and backtrack in order to use the system. Everything is very separate and concrete, sometimes making it difficult to maneuver.

SU will be upgrading to the newer version of the program on Dec. 22 or 23. "We'll be the first school in the University System of Maryland to do the upgrade," Waldron said. "What they've done is taken all of that disparate stuff that's out there in the current system and pulled it together to be more graphical and intuitive. It gives the students a better sense of where they stand."

This upgrade will include an easy to navigate, user-friendly main page or "Student Center." Directly after logging in, the student's academics,

finances and personal info are all displayed and can be changed or edited with the click of a button.

"The main page is all graphical and rather than having to hunt around for things, they will be right there. It will show your name, your schedule, when the course meets, whether or not it has MyClasses. If it does, you just click on the icon and it links you directly to MyClasses," Waldron said.

The Student Center also includes your billing summary, directly linking you to a detailed list of your charges and payment options. Also present is a to-do list, which reminds the student of when they can register and enroll in a class, as well as the name and phone number of their advisor. All of this is maintained by the user from the main page.

Another new feature is the ability to "shop" for classes. While deciding and sorting through classes, the student can put the "maybes" in their "shopping cart" and reserve the classes while they swap them around. When they are finished, enrolling is essentially like checking out, Waldron said.

Searching for classes will be much easier. As opposed to an on-going list, classes will be grouped together according to the class. Thus, this makes the layout much more visually appealing and easier to discern.

All of the software has that "one step ahead" approach, providing an all-access look into your total SU agenda. "By the time the student starts their class, exam schedules should be posted," Waldron said. "They should be able to log on and see it three or four months in advance."

Another innovative feature introduces teachers to their students before they have even met. With the average professor having to teach and remember over a hundred faces, this "allows them to actually see the student's ID picture so they can get a visual of their students," Waldron said. In addition it would list certain information about that student such as major, minor and class rank.

Certain departments at SU have already been working with similar test software to get them oriented with the new program before it is implemented. However, the first week of December will provide faculty training for those who would like a little more familiarization with the product.

The cutover will unlikely cause any disruption to the GullNet system and the slower winter months serve as a perfect setting for the transition, according to Waldron.

"I think the winners in all of this will be the students and faculty," Waldron said.

SU students host scavenger hunt for Kids of Honor

By Kathleen Kasik
Staff Writer

Students from Paula Morris' Marketing 331 class have been experiencing first-hand the realities of planning and promoting events. On Thursday, November 1, a group of marketing students invited the campus community to participate in a scavenger hunt to benefit Kids of Honor.

The menu for the event entails hors d'oeuvres and a salad, Chicken Marsala for the main course, and a truffle for dessert. The cost for attendance is \$10. Professional attire is required for those attending, entailing a shirt and tie, dress or suit.



Nicole Bevan photo

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Grace Murdoch is a 30-year veteran in education, administration and supervision. Murdoch's personal Web site, www.professionalgrace.com, describes her presentation as a sharing of strategies "to help you become your professional best." Murdoch has an extensive client list, including the Wisconsin County Board of Education and the Greater Salisbury Chamber of Commerce.

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SHRM brings in different speakers who share their experiences as human resource managers, occasionally acting as mentors and offering employment opportunities for members. The etiquette dinner is being used as a fundraiser for the organization. Money raised will go towards these speakers, building membership and related field trips.

SHRM is the world's largest professional association devoted to human resource management. Their mission is to provide assistance to human resource professionals and promote their essential role in the corporate world.

Sign up for the etiquette dinner at the Salisbury University Web site www.salisbury.edu/careerservices/. Interested parties are encouraged to act quickly as the event is expected to sell out.

For more information on the etiquette dinner or the Salisbury University chapter of the Society for Human Resource Management, contact Patricia Gibson at pg14403@salisbury.edu.

Mind your manners!

SU students to attend etiquette dinner*

By David Lapkoff
Staff Writer

The Perdue Business School's Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) is hosting their first etiquette dinner on Thursday, Nov. 15. Over a four-course meal, students will learn professional manners and networking techniques, and hear from guest speaker Grace Murdoch.

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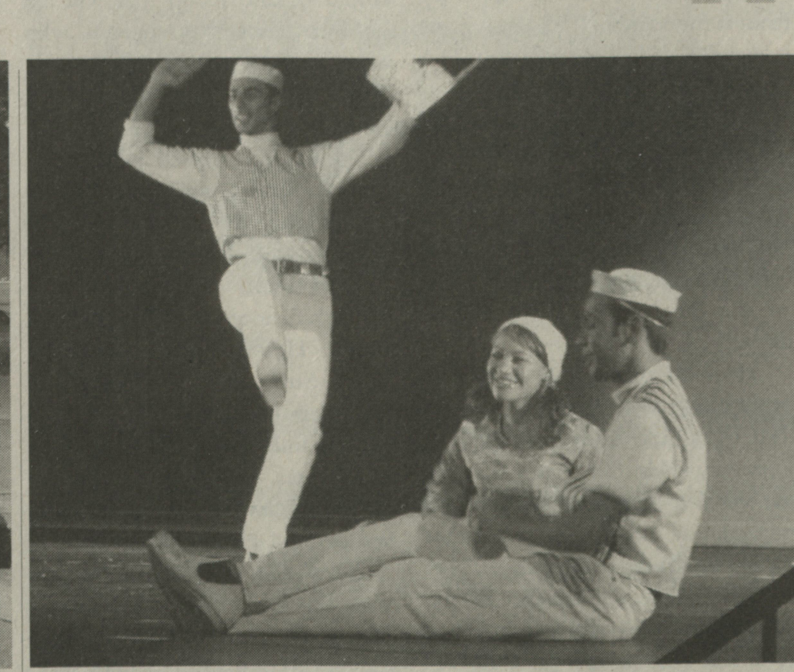
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From the photo bank: What's happening on campus



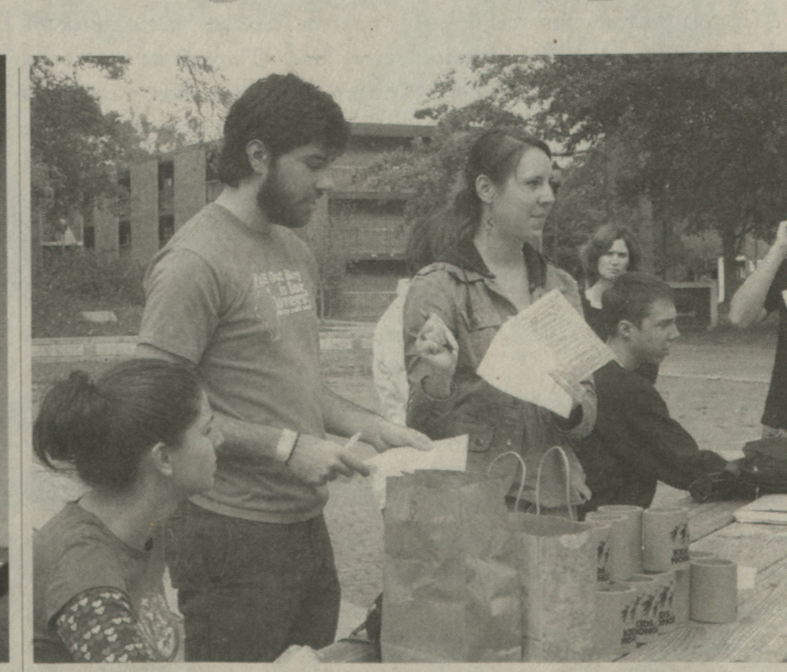
Adrienne Price photo

This professor became an easy target as a future SU student tries to dunk her at Friday's Dunk Your Professor for Charity event.



Adrienne Price photo

The National Folkloric Troupe of Egypt performed at Salisbury University on Oct. 30 to a nearly full audience in Holloway Hall.



Nicole Bevan photo

Event coordinators Jeremy Latimer and Jamie Martin pass out clue books at the Kids of Honor Scavenger Hunt.

Mr. Advice

Mr. Advice answers all your questions, even private ones, in complete confidentiality. Send your questions to: kb04128@students.salisbury.edu Don't be shy, ask anything!

Gays are so hard to buy presents for. Why? What's the deal? Just give me a freaking idea of what you might like. I have a boyfriend of one year and still I have not heard of even one idea for a present to get him. How do you shop for guys anyway?

Well, to be honest, for a lot of guys it's pretty simple. If he plays games, try doing some research to find out what kind of games he likes and won't buy...or hasn't bought yet. Make sure no friends or family will buy it either. If he's into eating, maybe make him a big dinner with dessert. Normally, I would say that would be for a date or something, but going all out by making dinner for him is good, too. Why not go shopping with him one day and just have him "try" on clothes? Whatever he chooses, you can buy it at a later date so he won't know. You can also take him to his favorite place (restaurant, amusement park, bar or whatever). Sometimes, with birthday gifts or other holiday gifts, it doesn't have to be so material; you could also go someplace special. Not all guys are the same, either. Some might like the idea of a material gift because they can see or use it often; others might like the idea of traveling to places and making memories. Obviously, money can sometimes be an issue, so you could throw a big surprise party for him. Gather all of his friends secretly and, if possible, get people from home to show up and surprise him. Great memories can be as strong as a material gift because it's the thought that counts.

I can't believe that nearly all the exams I'm going to have this semester fall within the same week of each other. We're talking like three to four exams within one week. How do you study for something like that?

This is always a tough situation. A lot of times, information just falls into place for exams to line up as they do. The best thing to do is just study information piece by piece. Not a week before...try studying two weeks ahead if you can. Just start skimming the information early because if you do it later, you really have to put in some serious hours. It's probably a good idea to get the information somewhat floating in your head, then restudy it before the test. You'll do even better. Sleeping is serious! Get some of that in your life! Eating regularly is pretty significant, as well. If all exams fall on the same day, you could try to see if the instructor will allow you to move it. But that's always a tough one to pull unless it's finals week. Do your best and study early so you don't lose your life during the round of exams.

Try making flash cards, rewriting notes, or whatever you need to do in advance to get the information in your head. It's going to be a tough time regardless of whether you have three exams in one week or if you have them one per week for three weeks.

Managing your stress will help you out as well. Try not to wallow in the misery of having to take exams as much as saying to yourself that it just needs to get done and I'm going to take care of it. The more down, upset and stressed out you are, the more likely you'll be to mix up information. Keep it straight and you'll do fine!

Weekly Greek News

By Lindsey Dickinson, Staff Writer

Phi Mu's Hoopapuluza raises funds for Children's Miracle Network

Want to give to charity while having fun on Salisbury's campus? Look no further, there is a great opportunity awaiting SU students.

On Saturday, Nov. 17 at noon, Phi Mu, along with Sigma Alpha Epsilon, is holding Hoopapuluza. It will be a free-throw competition held in Magg's Gym. All of the money raised at Hoopapuluza will be donated to the Children's Miracle Network.

"This is actually the first year we've ever done it. It's a national fundraiser hosted by Phi Mu but we have never done it before," said Lindsey Serig, a sister of Phi Mu.

Along with the competition, Phi Mu will be selling Children's Miracle Network balloons to raise money. There will also be a 50/50 raffle at the event with prizes donated by local businesses.

"All of the sisters are really excited about it and we're working with local businesses to get donations and stuff," Serig said. "SAE is also helping us with it, because their philanthropy is also Children's Miracle Network."

Children's Miracle Network was founded in 1983 and it raises funds for children's hospitals throughout the U.S. All of the money used to fund the organization comes from donations raised at events such as

Hoopapuluza. These children's hospitals depend on donations to keep providing much needed services for kids with every disease and injury imaginable.

According to the Children's Miracle Network's Web site, "Each year, the 170 Children's Miracle Network hospitals provide the finest medical care, life-saving research and preventative education to help millions of kids overcome diseases and injuries of every kind. Through its year-round efforts to help kids, Children's Miracle Network has raised more than \$2.7 billion to date, most of which is donated a dollar or two at a time by caring individuals across North America."

Children's Miracle Network became the national philanthropy of Phi Mu in 1998. Chapters of Phi Mu across the nation have come together to dedicate their fundraising efforts to help raise money for the organization.

The Salisbury chapter of Phi Mu raises money throughout the year with many different fundraising events. John's Hopkins Children's Hospital is their local affiliate hospital that benefits financially from their efforts. Phi Mu also creates quilts and little gifts for the children in the hospitals to help out.

People Making A Difference: DR. LORI DEWALD, Health Education Program Director



Internet photo

Dewald was chosen to serve on two national committees of ACHA.

By Lisa Emery
Staff Writer

Dr. Lori Dewald of Salisbury University's Department of Health, Physical Education and Human Performance was recently chosen to serve on two national committees of the American College Health Association (ACHA).

Dewald will assist the ACHA in drafting the 2020 version of the manual, *Healthy Campus 2010: Making It Happen*, which creates national college

health goals. "This is the premier committee that will forge the path for campus health and more healthy college campuses across the USA not just for 2010, but for 2020 and beyond. This commission has not had actual classroom professors of health education on it before. Instead, it is primarily made up of practitioners from student health services, so I bring a different perspective to the table," Dewald said.

Since the creation of the ACHA in 1920, they have been dedicated to the health needs of college students.

Members include more than 900 institutional members that represent the diversity of the higher education community - two and four year, public and private, large and small, according to the ACHA.

Furthermore, Dewald has been selected to serve as ACHA mediator to the National Athletic Trainers Association (NATA). Dewald will hold this position for a three-year period as she works to network and form a working relationship between the two organizations in the best interest of the health of college students.

"As for my appointment as the liaison between the ACHA and the NATA, I am hoping to bring the ACHA and the NATA closer together as two organizations with vested interest in college students and college student-athletes," Dewald said. "I am also hoping to make both organizations more aware of each other and the commonalities that they have with each other."

Dewald earned her undergraduate degree in athletic training from South Dakota State University. Afterwards, Dewald received her master's degree in health education and her doctorate of education, concentrating on counseling, from the University of Tennessee. Dewald has taught many health-related courses at colleges across the United States.

"I believe I was born to be a health educator. The 'W' and the 'H' of the World Book Encyclopedia were my favorite books in that series because that is where anatomy and health were located," Dewald said.

The SU faculty welcomed Dewald in 2006, and she now teaches courses in the assessment and evaluation of health education, organization and administration of health education and school health education.

"SU has great students who are not afraid of doing the in-class and out-of-class assignments necessary to achieve their goals for the courses they are taking in their majors," Dewald said. "There are six dimensions of health to make sure you are healthy in every dimension: manage your time, manage your stress in healthy ways, don't short change yourself in the sleep category, exercise daily and eat controllable portions of food and follow guidelines from mypyramid.gov."

For more information on the ACHA, visit their Web site at: <http://www.acha.org/>.

Club Spotlight: Education Club

By Samantha Glaeser
Staff Writer

The Salisbury University Education Club is an organization that combines great people with educational issues who make a difference. It is open to any Salisbury University student that is majoring in, or interested in education and children. There is no specific class ranking or grade point average needed to join the club. The Education Club is built around preparing students for the world of teaching.

Students that are involved in education can also find networking and support advantages within the Education Club. It is a good way for students to meet peers with the same interests, and find people within the education field that can become a mentor.

"It offers advice for new, or just curious, students because we are all at different stages of degrees," said Rebecca Hartman, sophomore and President of the Education Club.

The Education Club offers opportunities to participate in a variety of fun activities that are also educational. Members can listen to a variety of

speakers, engage in support services, and become involved in tutoring and mentoring programs for children. The Education Club also takes part in special programs in the community and on campus.

Officers are finding ways to get and keep more people interested in the Education Club. "So, right away this semester, we were posting fliers and publicizing the activities we have planned, selling t-shirts and we are always planning new and exciting activities," Hartman said.

Sophomores and juniors majoring in education are encouraged to join the club as it leads to Kappa Delta Pi, the International Honor Society in Education. The organization states that it "is committed to recognizing excellence and fostering mutual cooperation, support and professional growth for students and professionals in the education field." Through the Education Club, members can also join the Student National Education Association. This includes membership in the Maryland State Teachers Association.

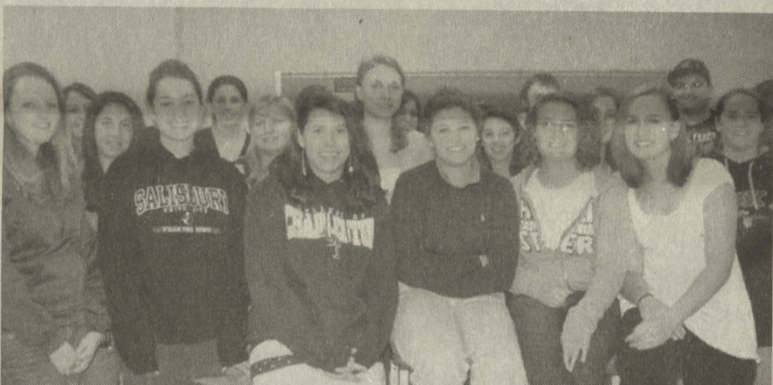
The faculty advisor that can help

with this transition, Dr. Laura Marasco, started with the Education Club when she moved to Salisbury from Colorado four years ago. "In the four years that I have advised, the most inspiring project we have had was to send 44 boxes of books and school supplies to Waveland, MS, schools after Hurricane Katrina," Marasco said. Currently, the members are raising funds to support the Fruitland Community Center's after school program.

Opportunities within the club allow students to come together, share ideas and take leadership positions. This can

be done by chairing a committee or by running for office. "But mostly, we come together because we are committed to education and our community," Marasco said.

For more information on the Education Club, students can attend one of the meetings held every first and third Tuesday of each month. Meetings take place in Caruthers Hall, room 111, at 4 p.m. Students can also visit the Education Club's web site at: <http://orgs.salisbury.edu/education/>, or contact Dr. Laura Marasco.



Telecia Taylor photo

Members of the Education Club take a break for a photo op.

Hanna family creates \$100,000 scholarship to benefit poli-sci majors

By Christina Barry
Staff Writer

Thinking of ways to build your resume? Are you a political science major who needs to start networking? With the help of the Hanna family, political science majors can now apply for that dream internship that will help land them their dream job.

Henry Hanna III and his wife Dara have just established a \$100,000 scholarship that will aid Salisbury University students who are interested in legislative internships dealing with Maryland's General Assembly.

The award is named in honor of Hanna's father, who passed away last summer. A permanent resident of Salisbury, Buddy Hanna was born in 1921 and attended Mrs. Herald's School on North Division Street. He also spent time at the Upton Street School in his youth. After serving in World War II and fighting in Europe, Buddy returned to the area. He then was able to start his long career as a local entrepreneur and community leader.

Over the years, he undertook many business ventures including a gas station, an insurance agency, a real estate company and a bus service. Later in life, Buddy founded Culligan Water Systems Company and built the Surfside 8 Motel in Ocean City. He also purchased the Marina Deck Restaurant

in Ocean City with his son, Frank.

But Buddy Hanna's true passion was community involvement, which he was able to pass on to his other son, Henry. As one of the co-founders of the Salisbury Jaycees (a civic organization) Henry's political career was initiated when he was in his twenties, with his election to the Salisbury City Council. He served three terms in the Maryland House of Delegates. His debating issues included school desegregation, growth and the state budget and sales tax, an issue that still plagues politicians.

The award is presented to SU juniors and seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA. "The scholarship will especially help students from Salisbury and the Eastern Shore, who face the added expenses of travel and living arrangements in order to apply and successfully take part in legislative internships," Hanna said.

Up to six scholarships will be awarded annually. They range anywhere from \$500-\$2000 in beneficiaries.

When entering the program, recipients gain 3-16 credits depending on the number of hours per week and the amount of academic work. Also, interns make several hundred dollars depending on the days worked (\$500 for 2 days, \$600 for 3 days and \$900 for 4-5 days), compliments of the scholarship.

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The hope is that the Henry H. "Buddy" Hanna Memorial Award will inspire future generations of Salisbury University students to find the same passion for politics and community affairs as he had. It can lead to many great job opportunities for students in the political arena and in public affairs.

Not only does the Hanna scholarship build upon your resume, it helps cultivate future job opportunities as well. The Maryland General Assembly Legislative Intern Program allows approximately 100 of Maryland's brightest students to gain the chance to provide research and staff assistance to legislators during each of their sessions and to gain experience in staff assistance to legislators. Interns have the opportunity to work closely in the legislative branch of the government, aiding high powered officials.

Now all political science majors not only have a future at Salisbury, but can enhance their resume, which can eventually lead to a career in Washington. With opportunities like the Hanna Scholarship, there is no telling how far an SU graduate can go.

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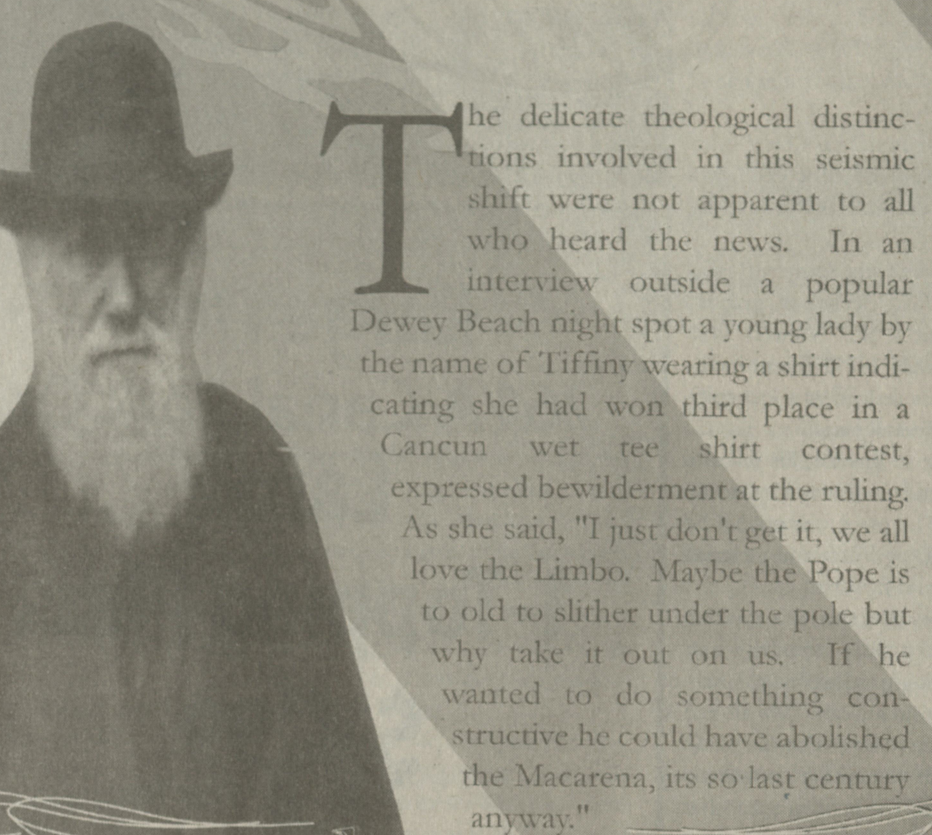
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POPE ABOLISHES LIMBO!

Catholic faithful were cheered by the news that the Pope has abolished Limbo. The Pope indicated that we now have, "serious grounds to hope that children who die without being baptized can go to heaven." God who established the Catholic Church as the "one true faith," has not always been kindly to unbaptized Catholics. As opined by Saint Augustine in the 4th century, who got his information from the horses mouth (so to speak), all non-Catholics and unbaptized babies went straight to hell. This was changed in the 13th century when God decided through his spokesmen that unbaptized babies and non believers in the "one true faith" who never-the-less lived a moral life now went to place called Limbo. Theologians have likened being sent to Limbo as being similar to spending eternity in an airport terminal when all the shops were closed.



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SU Alumni Association's Sea Gull of the month



Colleen Minter

Hey everyone! Thank you for this opportunity! I was born and raised in Baltimore, MD. I am a dual degree Biology/Spanish major and I hope to eventually attend graduate school. I am involved in SGA, Campus Crusade for Christ and the Medical Career Club. In SGA, I am currently the Executive Vice President where I work to bring student concerns to the administration's attention. In the past I organized the Big Event 2006, Earth Day, Homecoming 2006, FleaGull Market and SU Day at the Soup Kitchen. I love playing intramural flag football and softball and I am a huge Ravens and Yankees fan. I am constantly pursuing a deeper faith and knowledge in Jesus Christ through church and Bible study. I also support the troops and I cannot wait until they come home.

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Red Bull cans offer new artistic perspective

By Jillian Verpent
Staff Writer

Who knew that a recycled Red Bull aluminum can could be sculpted into a rotating globe, a life-sized angel nymph sculpture or a free-standing beehive?

These intriguing displays are all a part of the annual Red Bull Art of Can contest, which was featured in a gallery at F.U.E.L. (Fostering Undergraduate Exposure on Location) Collection in the historic district of Philadelphia until Nov. 2. The contest challenges artists to create an original work inspired by or made from recycled Red Bull cans. A group of students from SU attended College V.I.P. night on Oct. 25 to view the exhibit.

"It was a fun-filled night with lots of amazing pieces and a very unique atmosphere," said Dave Kroening, one of the SU students that attended the event.

The event featured DJ Quest Love from the Roots and welcomed students and art enthusiasts from nearby colleges.

"The art was phenomenal," said Dwayne Ravello, a senior graphic design student at SU. "Viewers were able to see artists use different mediums to express their ideas about environmentally friendly art."

According to Ravello, his favorite piece in the collection was "by far the bee's nest." The piece was crafted by Ohio native Dale Busta and included a queen bee and her army.

Viewing the collection, it is amazing to see what a little creativity and vision can bring to something as simple as an aluminum can. "We all had the same medium to work with, yet all came up with something completely different," said Linda Smyth, another artist whose work was featured.

The collection can be viewed in its entirety at www.redbullartofcan.com, and is a unique and different approach to what can be considered art.

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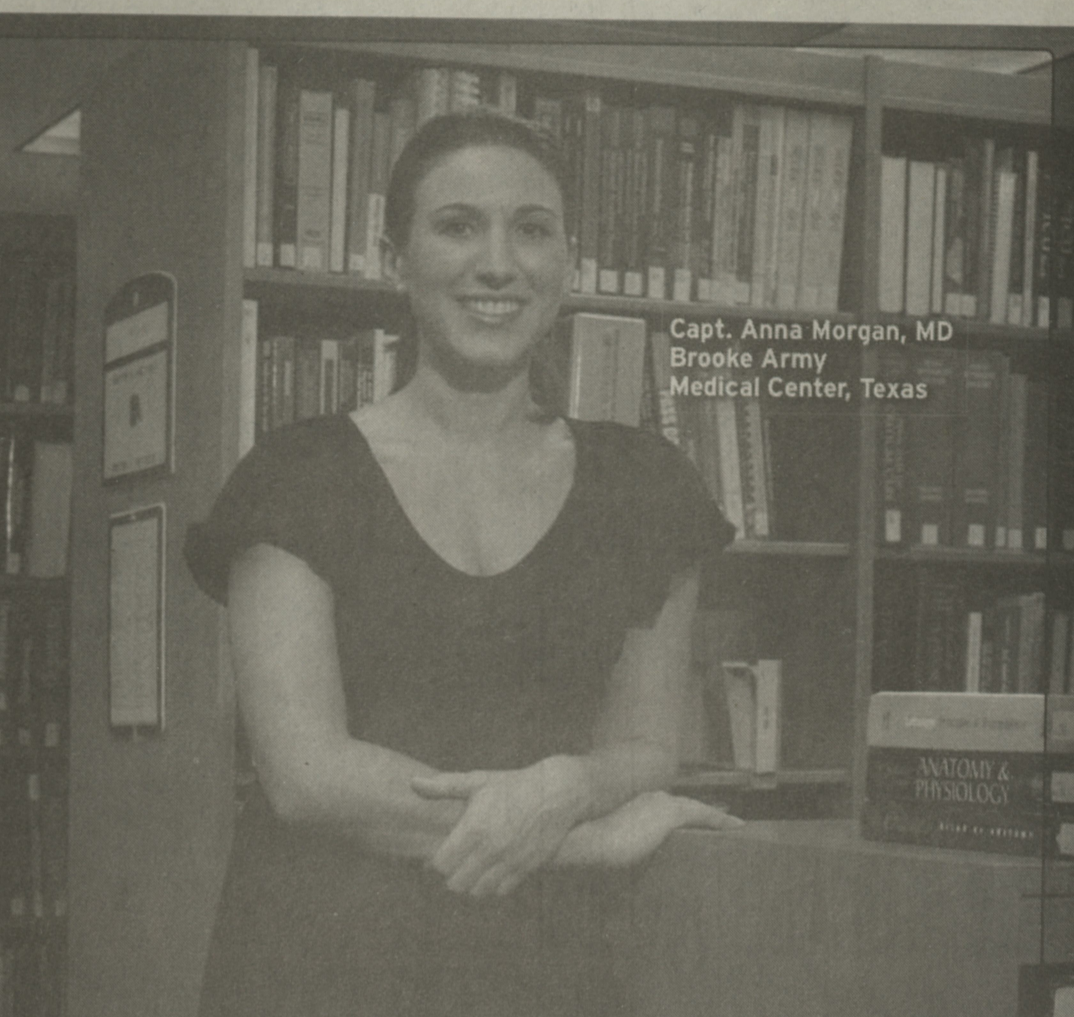
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SU Dance Company Presents 18th Annual Fall Dance Showcase 2007

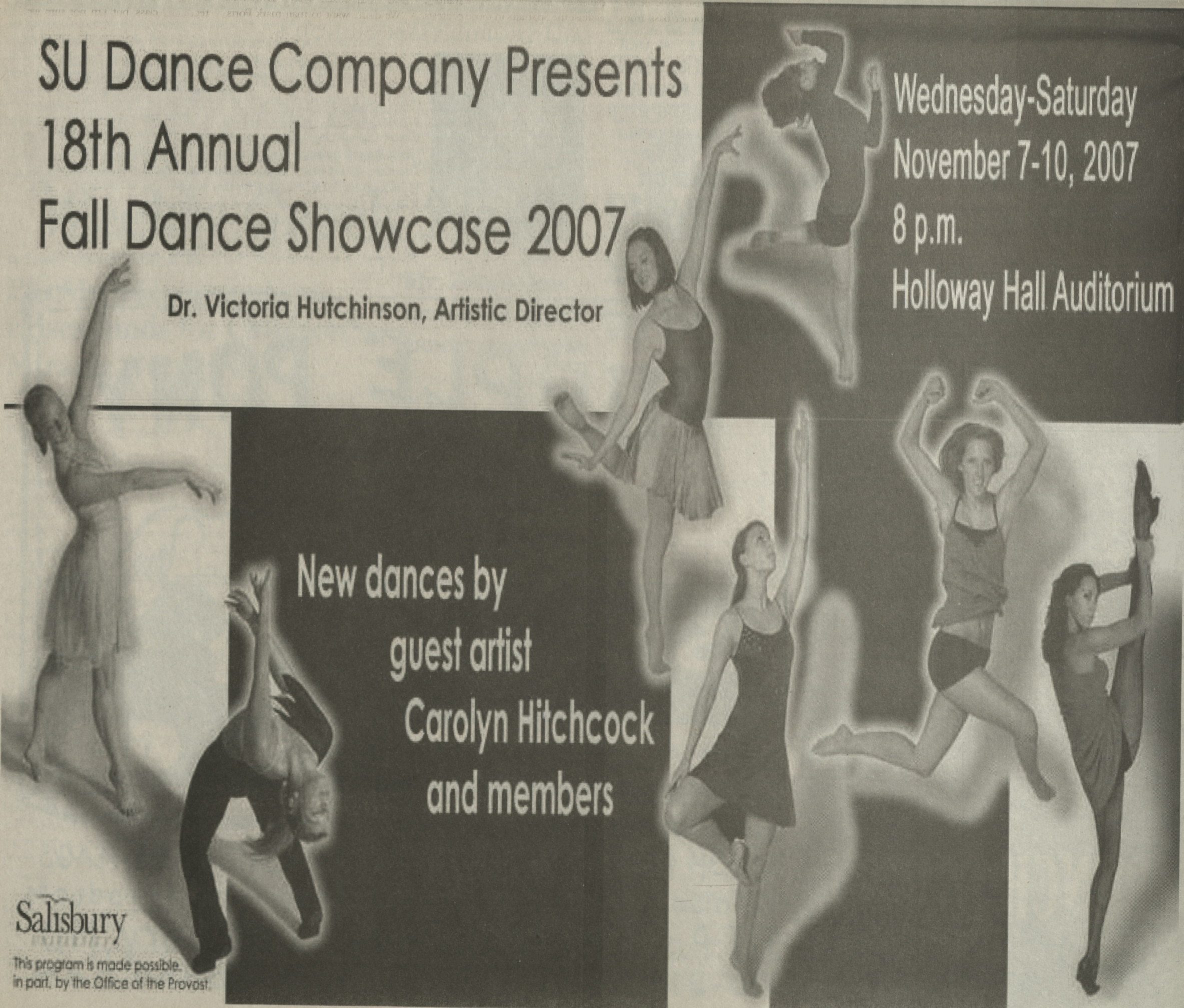
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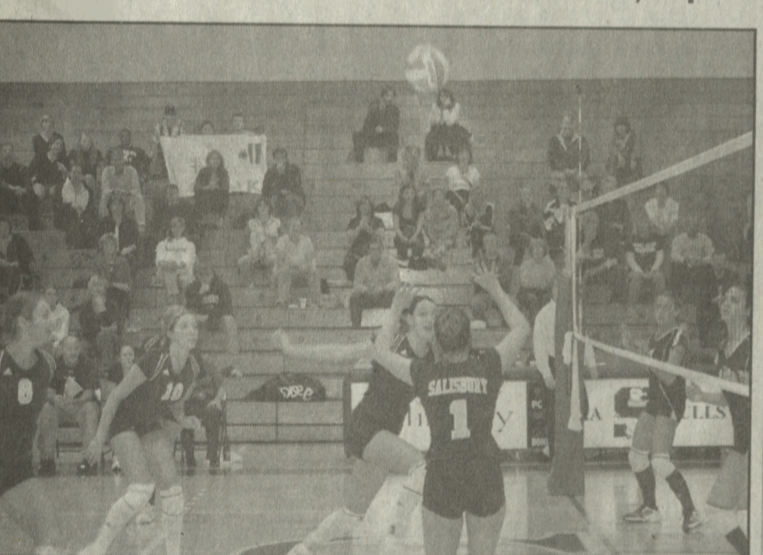
Weekly Quick Pics



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By Shawn Nisson
Sports Editor

The Salisbury University men's soccer team won their sixth Capital Athletic Conference championship on Saturday, defeating No. 9 York College 2-0. This is the Gulls' first conference title since 2004, when the team advanced all the way to the final four. SU earned a spot in the CAC championship game after beating Wesley College last Tuesday 4-0.

The Gulls' (15-4-1) offense was carried by Mike Napolitano, who scored Salisbury's first two goals against Wesley in the CAC semi-final game. The freshman picked up where he left off in the CAC quarterfinal game in which he scored four goals for SU. Napolitano's first strike came in the 24th minute as an outlet pass from Kyle Sterling started a three on none.

The striker beat the keeper, burying the ball in the right side of the net. Through ball in the 71st minute, this time from Greg Taylor, and the Ellicott City native would beat the keeper putting Salisbury on top 2-0. SU's Alex Hargrove put the Gulls

up 3-0 in the 77th minute depositing a loose ball from in front of the Wesley goal into the back of the net. He was followed shortly thereafter by senior Andrew Henciak, who capped the victory for the Gulls, scoring in the 88th minute and securing the teams spot in the conference championship game.

Coming into the title game York sported only one blemish on their record, a loss to Salisbury on Sept. 29 1-0. The loss snapped the teams 49-game unbeaten streak. The two teams are familiar adversaries, as they have faced off with each other in the CAC tournament each of the past seven years. The two teams have now met in the conference championship game four of the last five years with Salisbury holding a 3-1 advantage against the Spartans in those contests.

After just missing on a few opportunities, the Gulls went up for good with a minute left in the first half. Sterling, who scored the game's only goal in the meeting earlier this season against York, struck again. Going one on three, Sterling calmly crossed over two defenders and got off a left footed low screamer from 18 yards out to

beat York goalie Kyle Marks. "I was kind of surprised I had lots of space when I got the ball," said Sterling. "I took advantage of it, I knew two guys were there but I really like that move. I just cut it inside and banged it with my left. I didn't know it was going in, but when I looked up and saw that it was past the goalie, it was a great feeling."

York's big three, comprised of Jon Ports, Jason Mancuso and All-American Andrew Wheeler, were effectively shut down by the Gulls' defense. The fierce Gulls' defense collected their 14th shutout of the season, holding the conference's top offensive team to only two corner kicks and three shots on goal.

"We play defense by committee," said head coach Gerry DiBarolo. "We didn't want to man mark Ports, Mancuso or Wheeler. We just wanted to play them up. Whoever was defending them had to have the mind-set to not let them get behind us, and our backs did a wonderful job in doing so."

Even still, the Gulls were unsettled with only a one goal advantage. "We didn't want to sit back," said Sterling.

"Mentally we looked at the game as if it were 0-0. We wanted to continue to press in the second half and still try to push the pace."

The persistence on offense paid off for the Gulls in the 54th minute as SU's Henciak redirected a rebound from a Sterling shot into the back of the net, increasing the advantage to 2-0.

After the final whistle blew the team was ecstatic. "All the sprints, all the laps during pre-season, that's what makes it worth it, this game," said Sterling.

"Winning this conference championship is unbelievable," said DiBarolo. "I don't get too emotional but after I talked to the team I broke down a little bit. We thought we had a good group of kids, and a good recurring class, but I'm not sure we thought we'd be ready to do this year."

The win secures an automatic bid into the 2007 NCAA Division III men's soccer tournament. The team will await the official pairing which will be announced on Monday Nov. 5.

SU captures fourth volleyball crown

By Jeffrey Southworth
Staff Writer

The Salisbury women's volleyball team battled back to beat St. Mary's College 3-1, to claim the team's fourth Capital Athletic Conference championship. The team earned the spot in the finals after cruising through the first two rounds of the 2007 conference tournament, sweeping both Wesley College and York College in Maggs Center.

The second-seeded Sea Gulls wasted no time Tuesday night defeating Wesley College in three straight games. Junior Stacey Krebs led the Gulls offensive attack with 20 kills. Krebs continued to add on to her single season kill record, currently at 535. Krebs was joined in the Salisbury record books by sophomore libero Gabby Long. Long opened the game tied for the single season dig record with 709. Long ended the game with 113 digs and pushed her season total to 722 while grabbing the single season record.

Along with a strong offense and solid defense the Sea Gulls were on top of their service game, recording 12 aces. Junior Stephanie Withers led the Gulls' service with four aces.

The Sea Gulls cruised through the second round of the playoffs, needing just three sets to dispatch York College. The convincing win over York College bumps the Sea Gulls' conference record to 10-1 on the season.

Krebs continued her outstanding tournament performance by playing both

sides of the ball, racking up 15 kills and five digs. Massarelli dominated the net the whole match, contributing 10 kills to the Gulls' offense. Marzocchi's all-around game was also showcased throughout the semi-finals match, as she tossed up 35 assists, added 10 digs to the defense and kept the defense on their toes by putting away six kills. Long added 17 digs to her single season record, leading the scrappy Gulls' defense.

The Sea Gulls appeared to all be on the same page as they cruised through the first two rounds of the conference tournament. "The reason why we won is because everyone was into the game," said Marzocchi. "We were all focused and reaching for a common goal, and that was a chance to be in the championship."

In the conference championship

match the Gulls fell behind early, losing the first set 26-30. However, the Gulls battled back, claiming the next three sets 30-19, 30-24, 30-18. Going into the crucial third set the match was knotted up at a set a piece, and the Seahawks looked to be gaining momentum, holding an early 8-1 advantage. However, the Gulls never panicked, concentrating on playing their game slowly and chipping away at the lead until it was no more. After the first two sets featured 10 ties and four lead changes, there were only three ties and one lead change in third set. A Marzocchi service ace that dropped in short just over the net gave SU a 23-22 advantage, and the Gulls never looked back.

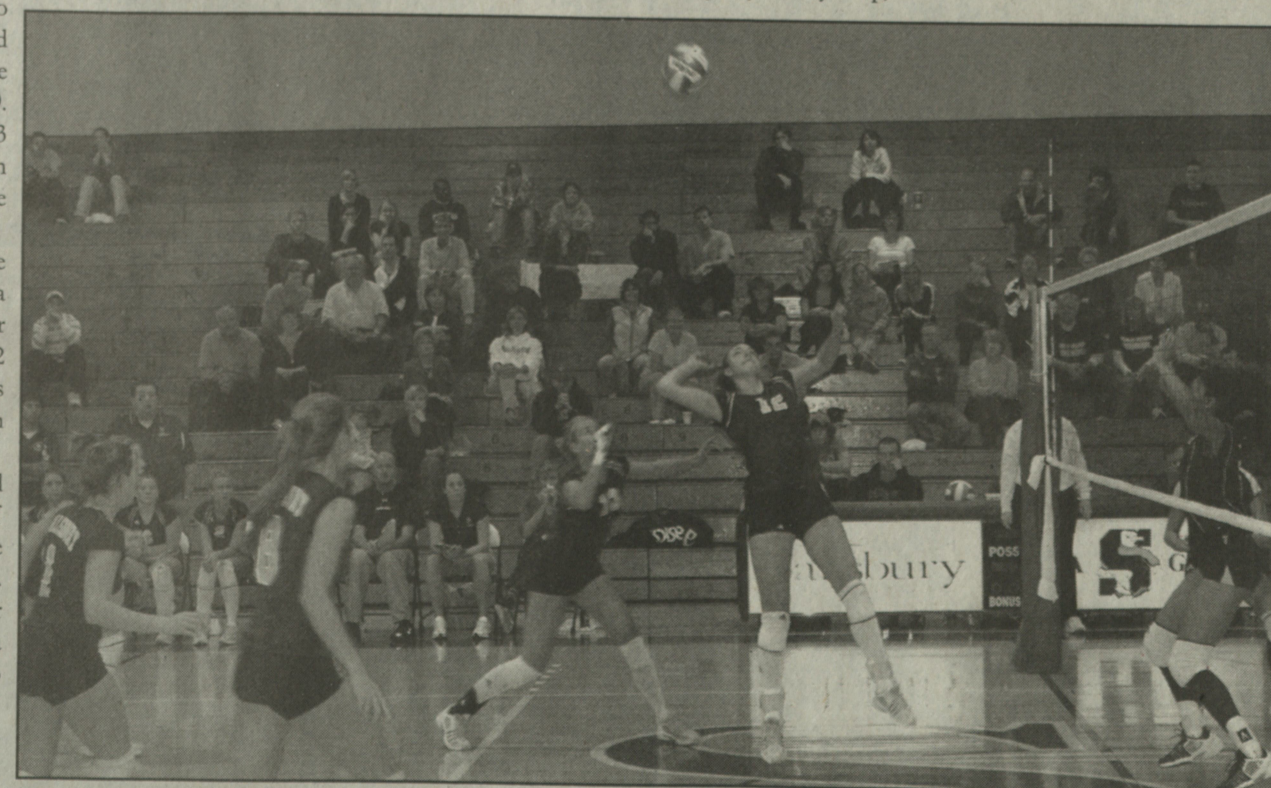
"I was serving them deep the whole time, driving them back, driving them back. I noticed they were really deep,

so I knew if I put one there, they would have a hard time getting to it," said Marzocchi of her only service ace of the contest, which was paired with 59 assists and 12 digs.

After that point the Seahawks were noticeably deflated, and the Gulls rode the momentum to the victory.

"You could definitely tell across the net they were getting down," said Krebs. "All that does is pump us up. We're always strong and united, we help each other out. The crowd helped so much. They were so into it, it really helps us out."

The win gives Salisbury an automatic bid into the 2007 Division III volleyball tournament. They will wait until Monday to hear where and who they will play.



Sarah Wright photo

SU Field Hockey wins 13th straight CAC title, easily dispatches opponents

By Luke Kjeldsen
Staff Writer

Salisbury University's field hockey team (18-1, 7-0 CAC) captured their 13th straight Capital Athletic Conference title, easily dispatching both of their conference opponents.

"It feels amazing, just amazing," said freshman Kandice Hancock.

Fresh off a bye in the opening round, the Sea Gulls opened their conference tournament with a 3-0 semifinal win over Mary Washington (11-9, 2-5 CAC) on Wednesday.

After going scoreless in the first half, the Gulls raced out of the gates with goals from Lauren Correll, Danielle Twilley and Ashley Twigg.

"We were controlling the game, but we're playing flat," noted head coach Dawn Chamberlin. "It's tough to get up for an opponent you've already beaten, but we needed to show more intensity."

"Dawn is good at pumping us up at the half," said Correll. "She told us what to do and we executed in the second half."

This is familiar territory for Chamberlin, who knows nothing but winning. "She always knows

what to say and what not to say," Twilley said.

Coach Chamberlin didn't need to say much at all in SU's decisive 5-0 championship victory over St. Mary's (12-5, 5-2 CAC) on Saturday.

The Sea Gulls swarmed the Seahawks from the outset, scoring four goals before the game was 25 minutes old.

"We wanted to jump on them quick and put all the pressure on them," Chamberlin said.

Twigg scored first for the Gulls, quickly followed by two scores from Caitlyn Ruffus and another by Jami Gobao to take a commanding 4-0 lead into halftime.

Correll capped off SU's scoring with a late second-half goal—her team-leading 21st goal of the year.

What makes these victories all the more impressive is how the Gulls were able to maintain dominance without second-leading scorer Beverly Beladino, who was unable to play for both games due to health issues.

Ruffus started in Beladino's absence, and provided a much needed offensive spark for the Sea Gulls.

"It took our offense a little to adjust at first," Correll said, when

asked about playing without Beladino. "Her speed was a great asset so it was tough without her, but Caitlyn really stepped up."

Ruffus—who had one goal the entire year—doubled her total in the conference finale in a tour-de-force performance.

"It was my first time at a new position, but Dawn and the team really supported me," Ruffus said.

The Gulls also got a great game from Hancock, a high-impact freshman who has added a new dimension to SU's attack.

"We've been looking at Kandice for a long time," Chamberlin said. "She has maturity beyond her years and her future is very bright."

Hancock garnered three assists in the final, including a rocket-shot from 10 yards out which Ruffus tipped in. "My adrenaline was really pumping," Hancock said. "I was really nervous coming in but I just believed in myself."

Last but not least, the play of senior Goalkeeper Maria Ramoundos and the entire defense was nothing



Andrew Baker photo

short of spectacular. The Gulls defense held St. Mary's to just a single shot.

"It's a rush actually," smiled Ramoundos. "We wanted this so bad."

"She's a phenomenal player,"

added Chamberlin. "She's a steady force and has great command."

The Sea Gulls are waiting to hear where they will be playing the NCAA Championships, which start this Wednesday. Regardless of the location, you can rest assured that

these girls will be ready.

"It never gets old," said an emotional Chamberlin. "It's a fantastic tribute to what this team has been doing—13 straight years as champs is amazing."

Women's Soccer falls to York in CAC championship

By Alex Ruoff
Staff Writer

The Salisbury University women's soccer team fell just shy of repeating as Capital Athletic Conference champions losing to York College 2-0 last Saturday. The Gulls advanced to the championship game after defeating Wesley College 4-0 last Wednesday at the SU athletic fields.

Senior midfielders Sara Schmidt and Robyn Bishop scored two goals each during the first half of the Wesley contest.

Schmidt got the Gulls' offense going, scoring the game's first goal off an assist from junior Dana Passucci 21 minutes into the first half. Bishop netted an unassisted goal off the post to give the maroon and gold a 2-0 advantage. Schmidt would follow with another goal this time off a left to right crossing pass from senior Kate Weaver. The Gulls' offense was not finished, however, as five minutes later Bishop tacked on her second goal of the game off an assist from junior Kelli Salter, scoring the fourth first half goal for the Gulls.

The Sea Gulls out-shot the Wolverines 24-5 for the game and

held an 8-1 advantage in corner kicks. SU junior Gena Goodson improved her record to 10-2-1 as a starter as she made three saves in the first half.

The team was not as successful in the championship game, however, as they struggled to find a sense of cohesiveness on the offensive side of the ball.

"York is a high pressure team, we knew that coming in," said head coach Jim Nestor. "We prepared for it, but we had trouble getting into a rhythm today. That is what high pressure does to you as a team."

Salisbury and York both had offensive opportunities in the first half but neither team was able to capitalize on their chances.

That would change in the second half, however, as York managed to put two tallies on the board. The Spartans two goals were the first surrendered by the Gulls in the CAC tournament since they lost in the quarterfinals in 2005.

York's first goal came from Caitlin Allen in the 66th minute, breaking the scoreless tie and providing the Spartans with the eventual game winner. After Salisbury failed to clear a corner kick from their defensive zone,

the ball bounced to the foot of Allen. She then calmly curled the ball into the upper right corner of the goal from 20 yards out, giving York a 1-0 lead.

The Spartans advantage doubled in the 79th minute as York converted another set play into a goal. Emily Sullivan redirected a Kaitlyn Harney corner kick with her noggin into the back of the SU net, giving the Spartans a 2-0 lead.

Salisbury's (14-3-1) offense struggled throughout the game but came up empty when needed most. In the first half Schmidt hit the top post from the top of the box and headed a corner kick just wide of the net, while Weaver was denied from point blank range by York keeper Meagan Cahill. The Gulls were outshot 16-8, and were on the wrong side of 10-3 corner kick margin.

Goodson played well in goal for the Gulls, stopping six Spartan shots while Cahill saved all three of Salisbury's attempts.

The Sea Gulls will now await a possible at-large bid for the 2007 NCAA Division III Women's Soccer tournament which will be announced on Sunday night.

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Cross Country

Senior Eric Graves earned the Capital Athletic Conference Male Athlete of the Year award, as he led the Salisbury University men's cross country team to their third straight CAC title and seventh overall. Graves crossed the finish line first with a time of 26:04, winning by 30 seconds at the 2007 CAC championship last Saturday at John Rudy Park in York, PA. The men's team edged out the University of Mary

Washington by seven points, 26 to 33, while the women's team fell by the same seven point margin to the Eagles, 34-27, ending the streak of three straight conference titles for the women's team.

Buck Stokes finished third overall and earned first-team All-CAC honors with a time of 26:44. SU's Zach Dickerson and Chirs Barnard also earned first team honors as they finished in fifth and sixth place respectively, with the teammates separated by just a tenth of a sec-

ond.

The SU women were led by Kelly Sullivan and Casey McNerny who finished third and fourth respectively with each runner earning first team All-CAC honors. Sullivan finished in a time of 23:24 while McNerny crossed the line at 23:51. The Sea Gull women garnered five second team All-CAC honors as Kristin Stromberg, Zuzka O'Zwoldike, Amy DeMichele, Masha Berge and Jenn Bulger were all named to the squad.

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·NCAA First Round: Field Hockey ·6 pm Swimming @ Washington (Md.)				·NCAA Second Round: Field Hockey ·11 am NCAA Mid-east Regional: Cross Country ·2 pm Regents Cup: Football vs. Frostburg State ·2 pm Swimming vs. Marymount (Va.)	·NCAA Third Round: Field Hockey	